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FALL
ATHLETIC SCHEDULE
2003 - 2004



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2003 - FALL ATHLETIC SCHEDULE - 2004

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

FIELD HOCKEY G V	GOVERNOR DUMMER.....A	03:00
SOCCER B V	NOBLE & GREENOUGH.....H	03:15

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

FIELD HOCKEY G V	GROTON/WINSOR/NCD.....A	02:00
FOOTBALL B V	DEERFIELD.....H	03:00
SOCCER B V	ST. PAUL'S.....A	02:00
SOCCER G V	WILLISTON NOHAMPTON.....H	02:30
VOLLEYBALL G V	CUSHING/SPS/EXETER/NH.....H	03:00
WATER POLO B V	LOOMIS/NM/HOPKINS.....A	03:00

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

CROSS COUNTRY G V	BROOKS/TYNGSBORO.....H	03:30
FIELD HOCKEY G V	MILTON.....A	03:15
SOCCER B JV1	MILTON.....A	03:15
SOCCER B V	BROOKS.....A	03:00
SOCCER G JV1	BISHOP GUERTIN.....A	03:00
SOCCER G V	ANDOVER HS.....H	03:00
VOLLEYBALL G V	NEW HAMPTON.....H	03:30
WATER POLO B V	EXETER.....H	03:00
WATER POLO JV	EXETER.....H	04:00

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

SOCCER B JV3	GROTON.....H	04:30
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	CANTERBURY INVITATIONAL A	03:00
CROSS COUNTRY G V	CANTERBURY INVITATIONAL A	04:00
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	LOOMIS.....H	02:00
FIELD HOCKEY G V	LOOMIS.....H	02:00
FOOTBALL B V	LOOMIS.....H	02:30
SOCCER B JV1	LOOMIS.....H	02:00
SOCCER B JV2	LOOMIS.....H	02:00
SOCCER B V	LOOMIS.....H	02:00
SOCCER G JV1	LOOMIS.....H	02:00
SOCCER G JV2	LOOMIS.....H	02:00
SOCCER G V	LOOMIS.....H	02:00
VOLLEYBALL G JV	LOOMIS.....H	02:00
VOLLEYBALL G V	LOOMIS.....H	02:00
WATER POLO B V	LOOMIS.....H	03:00

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	SHORE COUNTRY DAY.....A	03:00
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	GROTON.....A	03:00
FIELD HOCKEY G V	HARVARD.....A	03:15
FOOTBALL B JV1	CUSHING.....H	03:00
SOCCER B JV1	TYNGSBORO H.S.....H	03:30
SOCCER B JV2	BELMONT HILL.....H	03:45
SOCCER B JV3	CENTRAL CATHOLIC.....H	03:30
SOCCER B V	HOLDERNESS.....A	03:30
SOCCER G JV2	GROTON.....A	03:00
SOCCER G V	HARVARD.....H	03:30

VOLLEYBALL G JV	ST. PAUL'S.....A	03:30
VOLLEYBALL G V	ST. PAUL'S.....A	03:30

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	MANCHESTER INVITATIONAL A	12:00
CROSS COUNTRY G V	MANCHESTER INVITATIONAL A	12:00
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	TABOR.....A	03:45
FIELD HOCKEY G V	TABOR.....A	02:30
FOOTBALL B V	HOTCHKISS.....A	03:00
SOCCER B JV1	TABOR.....A	02:30
SOCCER B V	TABOR.....A	02:30
SOCCER G JV1	TABOR.....A	02:30
SOCCER G V	TABOR.....A	02:30
VOLLEYBALL G JV	DRACUT HS.....A	10:00
VOLLEYBALL G V	DRACUT HS.....A	10:00
WATER POLO B V	N.M.H./SUFFIELD.....A	01:00

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

SOCCER B JV1	ST. JOHN'S PREP.....H	03:30
SOCCER B JV2	ST. JOHN'S PREP.....H	03:30

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	ST. MARK'S.....A	04:30
FIELD HOCKEY G V	ST. MARK'S.....A	03:15
FOOTBALL B JV1	HYDE (ME).....H	03:30
SOCCER B JV3	BILLERICA HS.....H	03:30
SOCCER B V	MOSES BROWN.....H	04:00
SOCCER G JV1	BROOKS.....A	03:00
SOCCER G V	BROOKS.....A	03:00
VOLLEYBALL G JV	NORTH READING HS.....H	03:30
VOLLEYBALL G V	NORTH READING HS.....H	03:30

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

SOCCER B JV3	ST. JOHN'S PREP.....H	04:00
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 04

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	CHOATE.....H	02:30
CROSS COUNTRY G V	CHOATE.....H	02:00
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	CHOATE.....H	02:30
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	CHOATE.....H	02:30
FIELD HOCKEY G V	CHOATE.....H	01:00
FOOTBALL B V	CHOATE.....H	02:00
SOCCER ALUM	SOCCER ALUM.....H	11:00
SOCCER B JV1	CHOATE.....H	04:00
SOCCER B JV2	CHOATE.....H	02:15
SOCCER B V	CHOATE.....H	06:00
SOCCER G JV1	CHOATE.....H	02:15
SOCCER G JV2	CHOATE.....H	02:15
SOCCER G V	CHOATE.....H	02:00
VOLLEYBALL G JV	CHOATE.....H	02:00
VOLLEYBALL G V	CHOATE/NEW HAMPTON.....H	01:00
WATER POLO B V	CHOATE.....H	02:00
WATER POLO JV	CHOATE.....H	03:15

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	B. B. & N.....H	04:30
FIELD HOCKEY G V	B. B. & N.....H	03:15
FOOTBALL B JV1	ST. PAUL'S.....A	03:15
SOCCER B JV2	ANDOVER HS.....H	03:00
SOCCER B JV3	BELMONT HILL.....A	03:00
SOCCER B V	BEAVER COUNTRY DAY.....H	03:30
SOCCER G JV1	GOVERNOR DUMMER.....A	03:00
SOCCER G JV2	TYNGSBORO H.S.....H	03:45
SOCCER G V	GOVERNOR DUMMER.....A	03:00
VOLLEYBALL G JV	CUSHING.....A	04:45
VOLLEYBALL G V	CUSHING.....A	03:15
WATER POLO B V	WORCESTER.....H	03:00

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	METHUEN HS.....H	03:45
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	BROOKS/SPS.....A	02:30
CROSS COUNTRY G JV	BROOKS/SPS.....A	03:45
CROSS COUNTRY G V	BROOKS/SPS.....A	03:00
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	NOBLE & GREENOUGH.....H	04:00
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	NORTH ANDOVER.....H	01:30
FIELD HOCKEY G V	NOBLE & GREENOUGH.....H	02:30
FOOTBALL B V	CUSHING.....A	04:30
SOCCER B JV1	MASCONOMET.....H	02:00
SOCCER B V	BRIDGTON ACADEMY.....A	04:30
SOCCER G JV1	NOBLE & GREENOUGH.....H	03:00
SOCCER G V	NOBLE & GREENOUGH.....H	03:00
VOLLEYBALL G V	NEW HAMPTON.....A	04:00
WATER POLO B V	WILLISTON NORTHAMPTON A	03:15

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	BROOKS.....A	04:00
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	ANDOVER HS.....H	03:00
FIELD HOCKEY G V	BROOKS.....A	02:45
SOCCER B JV1	ANDOVER HS.....H	03:00
SOCCER B V	HARVARD.....H	03:30
SOCCER G JV1	ST. PAUL'S.....H	03:00
SOCCER G JV2	PIKE SCHOOL.....H	02:45
SOCCER G V	ST. PAUL'S.....H	03:00
VOLLEYBALL G JV	EXETER.....H	03:00
VOLLEYBALL G V	EXETER.....H	03:00
WATER POLO JV	ST. JOHN'S PREP.....H	04:45

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

SOCCER B JV3	PIKE SCHOOL.....H	03:30
SOCCER G V	N.M.H.....H	07:00

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	N.M.H.....H	02:15
CROSS COUNTRY G JV	N.M.H.....H	02:15
CROSS COUNTRY G V	N.M.H.....H	02:15

FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	N.M.H.....H	03:15
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	N.M.H.....H	02:00
FIELD HOCKEY G V	N.M.H.....H	02:00
FOOTBALL B JV1	N.M.H.....H	02:00
FOOTBALL B V	N.M.H.....H	02:30
SOCCER B JV1	N.M.H.....H	02:00
SOCCER B JV2	N.M.H.....H	02:00
SOCCER B V	N.M.H.....H	02:00
SOCCER G JV1	N.M.H.....H	02:00
SOCCER G JV2	N.M.H.....H	02:00
VOLLEYBALL G JV	N.M.H.....H	02:00
VOLLEYBALL G V	N.M.H.....H	02:00
WATER POLO B V	N.M.H.....H	02:00

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	ST. PAUL'S.....H	04:00
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	METHUEN HS.....A	03:30
FIELD HOCKEY G V	ST. PAUL'S.....H	02:45
SOCCER B JV1	CUSHING.....H	03:30
SOCCER B JV2	ANDOVER HS.....A	03:00
SOCCER B JV3	GROTON.....A	03:00
SOCCER B V	CUSHING.....A	03:30
SOCCER G JV1	THAYER.....H	03:30
SOCCER G JV2	BROOKS.....A	03:00
SOCCER G V	THAYER.....H	03:30
VOLLEYBALL G JV	WINCHENDON.....H	03:15
VOLLEYBALL G V	CUSHING.....H	03:00

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	DEERFIELD.....A	02:00
CROSS COUNTRY G JV	DEERFIELD.....A	02:30
CROSS COUNTRY G V	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	DEERFIELD.....A	02:45
FIELD HOCKEY G V	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
FOOTBALL B JV1	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
FOOTBALL B V	DEERFIELD.....A	02:00
SOCCER B JV1	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
SOCCER B JV2	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
SOCCER B JV3	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
SOCCER B V	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
SOCCER G JV1	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
SOCCER G JV2	DEERFIELD.....A	02:45
SOCCER G V	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
VOLLEYBALL G JV	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
VOLLEYBALL G V	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
WATER POLO B V	DEERFIELD.....A	01:30
WATER POLO JV	DEERFIELD.....A	02:45

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27

SOCCER B V	ST. JOHN'S PREP.....H	03:30
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29

FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	MIDDLESEX	A	03:45
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	BROOKS	H	02:45
FIELD HOCKEY G V	MIDDLESEX	A	02:30
SOCCER B JV1	NORTH READING HS.....	H	03:00
SOCCER B JV2	BROOKS	A	02:45
SOCCER B V	WORCESTER	A	03:15
SOCCER G JV1	MIDDLESEX	H	02:45
SOCCER G V	MIDDLESEX	H	02:45
VOLLEYBALL G JV	ST. PAUL'S	H	03:00
VOLLEYBALL G V	ST. PAUL'S	H	03:00
WATER POLO B V	EXETER	A	04:15
WATER POLO JV	EXETER	A	03:15

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	EXETER.....	H	02:30
CROSS COUNTRY G JV	EXETER.....	H	02:45
CROSS COUNTRY G V	EXETER.....	H	02:45
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	TYNGSBORO H.S.....	H	02:00
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	TYNGSBORO H.S.....	H	02:00
FIELD HOCKEY G V	CUSHING	H	03:00
FOOTBALL B V	TABOR	H	06:00
SOCCER B JV2	BELMONT HILL	H	02:30
SOCCER G JV1	B. B. & N.	A	02:30
SOCCER G JV2	TYNGSBORO H.S.....	H	02:00
SOCCER G V	B.B.&N.	A	02:30
VOLLEYBALL G JV	N.M.H.	A	03:15
VOLLEYBALL G V	N.M.H.	A	03:15
WATER POLO B V	HOTCHKISS @WILLISTON	A	04:00

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	EXETER.....	H	02:45
FIELD HOCKEY G V	MILTON	H	03:00
FOOTBALL B JV1	EXETER.....	H	02:45
SOCCER B JV1	EXETER.....	H	02:45
SOCCER B V	NEW HAMPTON	H	02:30
SOCCER G JV1	EXETER.....	H	02:45
SOCCER G JV2	MILTON.....	A	02:45
SOCCER G V	MILTON.....	A	02:45
VOLLEYBALL G JV	EXETER.....	H	03:00
VOLLEYBALL G V	WORCESTER.....	A	03:30

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	INTERSCHOLASTICS	H	12:00
CROSS COUNTRY G V	INTERSCHOLASTICS	H	12:00
FIELD HOCKEY G V	EXETER.....	A	12:00
FOOTBALL B V	EXETER.....	A	01:30
SOCCER B V	EXETER.....	A	10:30
SOCCER G V	EXETER.....	A	12:30
VOLLEYBALL G V	EXETER.....	A	11:00
WATER POLO B V	INTERSCHOLS.....	A	12:00

CAPTAINS AND COACHES**BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY**

Thomas Barron & Adam Kapor, Captains
Jon Stableford, Coach

GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY

Catherine Maffione, Captain
Nancy Lang, Coach

FIELD HOCKEY

Marissa Hudson, Captain
Kate Dolan, Coach

FOOTBALL

James Hoesley & Tyler Simms, Captains
Leon Modeste, Coach

BOYS' SOCCER

Carey Haynes & David Sheldon, Captains
Bill Scott, Coach

GIRLS' SOCCER

Allegra Asplundh-Smith & Kinnon McCall, Captains
Lisa Joel, Coach

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

Devon Dickerson & Mimi Hanley, Captains
Clyde Beckwith, Coach

BOYS' WATERPOLO

Aaron Stroble, Captain
Scott Hoenig, Coach

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PHILLIPS ACADEMY

FALL TEAM RESULTS 2003

CROSS COUNTRY BOYS VARSITY 6W – 2L 3rd at Interschols; 1st at Canterbury Invitational

CROSS COUNTRY GIRLS VARSITY 7W – 0L 1st at Interschols

FIELD HOCKEY GIRLS VARSITY 7W – 2L- 6T

FOOTBALL VARSITY 3W – 5L

SOCCER BOYS VARSITY 12W – 4L – 2T 2nd at Class A NEPSAC

SOCCER GIRLS VARSITY 2W – 14L – 1T

VOLLEYBALL GIRLS VARSITY 19W – 0L 1st NEPSAC Tournament

WATER POLO BOYS VARSITY 8W – 8L 1st in second tier; 5th overall NEPSAC tourn.

SPORT: Boys Cross Country
YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: Thomas Barron , Adam Kuiper

HOME ADDRESS:

New York, NY

MANAGER (S):

HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Jon Stableford

ASSISTANT COACHES:

Jeff Domina

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Phillips Academy
Boys Cross Country
Roster – Fall 2003

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yr</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Abugov, Alexander	2007	Amherst, NH
Adler, Daniel Be	2005	Hunting Valley, OH
Barron, Thomas	2004	New York, NY
Blackman, Stephen	2007	Pleasantville, NY
Bowen, Nicholas	2006	Columbus, OH
Bramhall, Benjamin	2007	Plymouth, MA
Canaday, Miles	2005	Cos Cob, CT
Church, Thomas	2005	New York, NY
Daly, Kevin	2005	Houston, TX
DeFreeuw, Darren	2004	Bolingbrook, IL
Donais, Christopher	2005	Bradford, MA
Elkins, Benjamin	2004	Salt Lake City, UT
Feigenbaum, James	2004	Andover, MA
Fender, Patrick	2007	Arlington, MA
Freker, John	2004	Cincinnati, OH
Fu, Shawn	2005	North Andover, MA
Gabel, Daniel	2006	Lodi, CA
Green, Alexander	2007	Carlisle, MA
Hamilton, Seán	2006	Andover, MA
Heighington, David	2006	Dracut, MA
Hillman, Jonathan	2005	Andover, MA
Howe, Weston	2005	Andover, MA
Hsu, Gregory	2006	Lincoln, MA
Kapor, Adam	2004	Brookline, MA
Kim, Victor	2006	104-817 Seoul, KOR
Kotlar, Alex	2004	Somerville, MA
Lee, Justin	2006	Plymouth, MA
Li, Christopher	2007	Worcester, MA
Liao, Andrew	2004	Tsimshatsui, HON
Magnin, Christopher	2005	Andover, MA
Martin, Geoffrey	2007	Boxford, MA
Miller, Geoffrey	2005	Washington, DC
Murphy, Gordon	2006	Piedmont, CA
Patrick, Logan	2004	Cambridge, MA
Pirakitikulr, Nathan	2005	Crown Point, IN
Quinlan, Daniel	2004	Corona del Mar, CA
Rees, Gregory	2005	North Andover, MA
Riordan, William	2005	Pride's Crossing, MA
Serna, Daniel	2004	Andover, MA
Tincoff, John	2005	Grosse Pointe Woods, MI
Watson, James	2006	Rocky Mount, NC
Weigel, Jonathan	2005	Lincoln, MA
Whalen, Daniel	2006	San Juan Capistrano, CA
Wolfe, Joshua	2004	Westmount, CAN
Yoon, Andrew	2006	Shouson Hill, HON

Coach: Jon Stableford
Marc Koolen

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-20-03

OPPONENT: Canterbury Invitational

WHERE PLAYED Away

RESULTS: _____

9/20/03

Harriers Earn Canterbury Crown in Early Season Invitational Meet

Swelter in the 80's, high humidity, and a three-hour bus-ride after a morning of classes – hardly the formula for a joyful day; but the relief over a hurricane that had fled north and west, combined with double championships for the girls' and boys' cross country teams went a long way to make this a beautiful fall afternoon.

We traveled to Canterbury with an experienced team; five of the seven – Josh Wolfe, Adam Kapor, Chris Donais, and J.J. Feigenbaum had been a part of last year's championship team, and John Freker had run for the second-place team a year earlier. Joining them on this year's seven were second-year Upper Jon Weigel and new Lower Justin Lee. We had a race plan to finish five in the top fifteen, seven if possible; and we knew that our hard work in the summer and pre-season would serve us well on Canterbury's hills. Josh Wolfe ran to win, and almost immediately in the race he switched to his back-up race plan by taking an early lead. At the mile mark he had opened a considerable lead over the rest of the field, and eventual second-place finisher David Nightengale of Loomis Chaffee was beginning to move from his fourth position. Wolfe held his lead throughout and finished fourteen seconds ahead of Nightengale in 16:51.

The team race, as we knew, would be up to the pack; and at the mile mark everyone was positioned well. As the coaches trotted to their second locations along the course, they knew that all the team had to do was hold their positions to win the team championship. They did much better than that. The pack moved up throughout the race, and with a kilometer remaining, they gained several spots on the wearying competition. Adam Kapor finished sixth overall (17:46), Chris Donais eighth (18:10), John Freker ninth (18:13), Justin Lee eleventh (18:19), Jon Weigel sixteenth (18:31), and J.J. Feigenbaum twenty-seventh (19:00). J.J. had faded late in the race, later realizing he had not eaten enough before the race; but his kick on the final soccer field of the course provided the team's most exciting finish.

Back in Andover the rest of the boys' and girls' teams ran a time trial in the same heat and humidity, and a long string of impressive runs proved the team's depth. Jon Hillman, Sean Hamilton, and Dan Serna would have run well in the Andover pack at Canterbury.

A first-place finish at Canterbury means only that we were better prepared this week than the teams that showed up for the event; the real season lies ahead, and while this earlier championship has limited meaning, it is not bad news. This is a team with potential.

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DATE OF CONTEST: 9-27-03

OPPONENT: Manchester Invitational

WHERE PLAYED Away

RESULTS: _____

9/27/03

MANCHESTER INVITATIONAL

Due to a last minute decision on the part of the MIAA, the governing body for Massachusetts public school athletics, the PA cross country teams were unable to participate in the Manchester Invitational.

The resilient boys and girls of Andover Cross Country rebounded by running against themselves on Saturday morning, two balanced teams of boys, paired with two of girls, their scores added to crown a joint champion; in the race most of the boys ran their best times on the course so far this year. Two Lowers – Sean Hamilton and David Heighington – set personal records.

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DATE OF CONTEST: 10-04-03

OPPONENT: Choate

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

10/4/03

Cross Country Gangs Up On Choate; Nosed Out By Exeter

Andover - 28 Choate - 31 Andover - 29 Exeter - 26

Exeter joined us this weekend for our race with Choate because they had been bumped from their second invitational in two weeks. They came with the team that clearly is the strongest in the New England Prep circuit at this time. We knew that both Choate and Exeter would be strong up front with three runners apiece; our job would be to take one of the top spots with Josh Wolfe, then wedge our pack between their front and their back. This worked with Choate, but not quite with Exeter, a team that does not show a weakness. In fact, Exeter won without using an injured runner, who when healthy will be one of their top three. The race went out very quickly with three Choate runners, two from Exeter, and our own Josh Wolfe creating their own pack by the time they reached the Sanctuary gates. Gelb from Choate led the way to the Log Cabin, but Wolfe took over on the downhill and led for the next mile and a quarter onto the Great Lawn. By then, the two Exeter runners – Norton and Ferguson – had separated from the two Choate Runners – Divittorio and Brimhall. On the Great Lawn Gelb caught Wolfe by surprise with a huge surge and glided to a victory in 15:55. Wolfe crossed in 16:12.

Meanwhile the nine other Andover runners chasing the front pack, found themselves battling the next three Exeter runners, with Choate's final two scorers well behind; and on this day the Exeter runners prevailed with their third just in front of an Andover trio of John Freker, Justin Lee, and Adam Kapor, themselves followed by Exeter's fourth – five runners in five seconds. Exeter's fifth had a clear lead over Andover's fifth, Jon Weigel, followed by his teammates Will Riordan and Sean Hamilton. These were two critical places in the race where Exeter snatched the victory; but eight of Andover's ten runners ran personal bests for our course. We are definitely on the move.

In the JV race Exeter entered only three runners; Choate brought a busload. Because Andover ran ten in the varsity race, and because injuries had claimed so many victims, you might have thought that we would have been in trouble; but Andover took six of the top seven spots (third place went to Exeter) and seven of the top eleven over all. Leading the way was Dan Quinlan, recovering from injury, in 18:04, followed in order by Logan Patrick, Dan Serna, Jeff Miller, Nick Bowen, Darren Defreeuw, another Exeter runner, and Dave Heighington – all under nineteen minutes. Exeter did not have enough runners to score in the event, but Andover beat Choate 15-50, a perfect score. Next up is a tri-meet with Brooks and Saint Paul's, the one team that beat Andover last year in a dual meet.

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DATE OF CONTEST: 10-11-03

OPPONENT: Brooks / SPS

WHERE PLAYED Away

RESULTS: _____

10/11/03

Boys Cross Country With Wolfe Up Front Bests Three Teams at Brooks

PA entered this race after a tough week of injuries and training, aiming specifically at St. Paul's School, a team that has beaten us over the past two seasons in dual meets. We knew they were not as strong as they were last year, but they had handled easily everyone they had raced so far. With a clear race plan in place, we went after them and executed well.

The Brooks course is grassy and challenging with a considerable hill at the end, an almost perfect course but for the pavement sections early in the race. We chose to wear spikes, and the decision seemed particularly right in the final mile where our pack did its job, taking five spots in a row (7-12) after Josh Wolfe and Justin Lee had wrapped up the first and third spots against these three teams.

There are really two stories here. Josh Wolfe broke the course record at Brooks by fourteen seconds, a solid record held by Franklin Sanchez, a runner who captured the nation's attention five years ago. Josh blazed through the first mile in 4:50, slowed a bit in the second, then powered through the hills to cross in 16:01. It was a race of incredible focus and determination because he ran alone. The second story was the team race. With John Freker out with the flu and Chris Donais coming back from an injury that limited his training, we knew everyone else had to step up. Justin Lee, who improves with every race, proved he is a front-runner now, powering up the hills and through a tight crowd to claim the third spot in 17:05, nine seconds behind SPS first runner. In another week, he would probably have eliminated the one runner who beat him to the line. Gutsy Adam Kapor managed his IT band pain to take a solid seventh place in 17:24, behind SPS third runner and Tabor's first; and a steady stream of Andover runners – Jon Weigel (17:37), Chris Donais (17:37), Will Riordan (17:51), and Jon Hillman (17:58) – pushed ahead of the rest of the SPS team, all but one more Tabor runner, and the entire Brooks team. Not far behind came Dan Quinlan (18:12), Sean Hamilton (18:19), and J.J. Feigenbaum (18:34).

We continue to be a deep team, and we are becoming faster and tighter as a pack. Next up, NMH at Andover for Parents Weekend.

Race Results:

PA 25 - SPS 34

PA 15 - Brooks 50

PA 18 - Tabor 45

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-18-03

OPPONENT: N.M.H.

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

N.M.H. Parents' Weekend 10/19/03

Wolfe, Donais Lead the Way For Cross Country Against NMH

Throughout the week's training we heard grim predictions for a cold, wet day; but when the teams lined up to race, conditions were nearly perfect: milky sunlight, cool and breezy in the 50's. Mild injury and illness depleted the varsity in a contest we knew we could win, and we entered every senior in the varsity race, plus the underclass regulars, all but Sean Hamilton whom we set in the JV race. More on that later.

On the Great Lawn, pumped up by parental enthusiasm, the racers went through the first third of a mile at a fast clip; and when they entered the Sanctuary, the mob had split into two groups. Leading everyone was Josh Wolfe, followed fifty meters later by NMH's Petrofsky with our own Chris Donais on his shoulder, attached like a parrot. John Freker and Adam Kapor trailed these two with a couple more NMH runners, and the remaining runners entered the Sanctuary tightly packed.

Inside the Sanctuary on the way to the Log Cabin the racers attenuated, but distinct battles developed, the most notable being Petrofsky and Donais. Wolfe opened his lead and exited the Sanctuary nearly a minute ahead. Donais and Petrofsky meanwhile traded leads, then emerged from the gates with Petrofsky leading along Rabbit Pond, all the way to the Great Lawn.

Josh Wolfe had already burst from the Sanctuary with the remote chance of breaking the course record, but that didn't happen. Instead, he finished with a personal best 15:52, one of the six best times ever on the course, and in time to be able to eyeball the race developing behind him. Before the enormous swell of parents, Donais surged past Petrofsky and powered to the finish in 16:32, seven seconds ahead of his rival. For Donais, this was a personal best of over thirty seconds and a cap to a steady rise in performance throughout the season.

Behind Donais, Adam Kapor chased the second NMH runner, Pettengill and finished a second behind him in 16:57 and 16:58. Two more NMH runners - Hossein and Zimmerman - teamed up for the 6th and 7th spots in 17:12 and :13, followed by seven Andover runners - Jon Hillamn, John Freker, Will Riordan, J.J. Feigenbaum, Darren Defreeuw, Logan Patrick, Dan Quinlan, and after the fifth NMH runner, Dan Serna, half of them under the eighteen-minute mark. It was another solid performance, deep and strong, troubled a little by injury and illness, but ultimately a 25-32 victory for the Blue. Next week we go against a strong Deerfield team on their flat, short, fast course on the Connecticut River flood plain.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10 - 25 - 03

OPPONENT: Deerfield

WHERE PLAYED Deerfield

RESULTS: _____

10/25/03

Blue Registers Convincing Cross Country Win Over Green

Andover Varsity 23 Deerfield 49 The Andover varsity ran a strong team race, taking nine of the top eleven spots. Josh Wolfe won the race outright, but not without a bit of a struggle with a headache and fatigue. Setting a course record was out of the question after the first mile, and to their credit, Deerfield's Blixt and Reid kept contact with Wolfe through most of the race, finishing fifteen and twenty-seven seconds behind him. After these three, a steady stream of Andover runners – Adam Kapor, Chris Donais, Justin Lee, John Freker, Jon Hillman, JJ Feigenbaum, Jon Weigel, and Sean Hamilton – held off Deerfield's third runner; and ninth grader Ben Bramhall finished ahead of the next five green runners. Other than Kapor's solid run for fourth place, none of the times were impressive; but the quartet of Hamilton, Feigenbaum, Weigel, and Hillman kicked ahead of a Deerfield runner in the final eight hundred meters in a terrific team effort.

The most resistance on this day was mounted by the spectators – Deerfield parents mostly, who drifted onto the course at random times, occasionally making contact with unsuspecting runners. It was a good test for our team as we head toward Interschols in two weeks on a flat, crowded course.

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-01-03

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

11/1/03

Exeter Harriers Have Their Day; PA Looks To Reverse Outcome at Interschols

Warm weather provided a sharp contrast to last year's contest, when temperatures dipped into the low forties and felt like the low thirties with wind chill. This year brought weather in the mid seventies, and the result was a virtual reverse of last year. Exeter triumphed decisively. Credit is due to Exeter's team, their best in many years; and as a final salute to Exeter coach Dave Weber, who will retire from coaching after this season, the day was brilliant. The Andover team lead the race out in a very brisk pace, too brisk as things turned out. Josh Wolfe, as usual, lead the way, trailed by Exeter's two top runners, with Josh coming through the first mile in 4:40. The rest of the pack stayed in contact as well with only two of the Andover frontrunners - Justin Lee and John Freker - holding back wisely. The rest quite simply used up too much too soon to win the races within the race as they entered the final half mile. To understand this, consider that Josh Wolfe lead Harry Norton of Exeter throughout the race, but slowly lost his margin on the trip downhill from the Log Cabin. When the pair emerged from the Sanctuary gates, Norton had closed to within ten meters and behind the Chapel took the lead for good. Norton's race was solid, matching Wolfe's best time for the course this year; but a slightly altered strategy might have produced a very different result. The same result could be extended to the rest of the race. To finish three runners ahead of Exeter's third racer, Andover went out hard in an attempt to seize the race early, but patience and tenacity served Exeter well as they took the third and fourth spots in the race, then the seventh and eighth. A gap of twenty-four seconds separated fourth and tenth place, and everyone in this part of the race is capable of beating everyone else. Andover's racers finished thus: Wolfe, second 16:08; Lee, fifth, 16:58; Kapor, sixth, 16:58; Donais, ninth, 17:12; Freker, tenth, 17:16; Bramhall, eleventh, 17:30, Weigel, thirteenth, 17:46; Hamilton, fourteenth, 17:46; Hillman, fifteenth, 17:51; and Feigenbaum, sixteenth, 19:13. Next week the team heads to Windsor, Connecticut and Loomis Chaffee School for Interschols, where we hope a better strategy serves us well.

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-08-03

OPPONENT: Interscholastics

WHERE PLAYED Loomis

RESULTS: _____

11/08/03

Boys Earn Third Place at Cross Country Interschols

The hosts at Loomis Chaffee knew over a week ago that their sodden course would not do for Interschols, but the back-up site of Northwest Park, also in Windsor, provided one of the best flat courses we have ever run. As we knew, this is the culmination of a three-year development, where the Division I teams comprised the finest and deepest talent overall in the history of Interschols: in the varsity race, no fewer than twenty-eight runners completed the course in under 17:00, seven of those in under 16:00. We believed we had a chance to win. To do so, we would need five great races, all deeply penetrating the teams from the five other strong teams. We would also need the other teams to falter a little, to yield some points. However, Exeter won outright with seven fine performances, two of them outstanding. They essentially repeated what they had done to us in our dual meet a week ago. Slipping between us and Exeter was Choate. For three years they have seasoned a trio of fine front-runners, and yesterday they finished all three in the top five. While their fourth and fifth runners finished considerably behind ours, the points banked by the first three were enough to win them a solid second place. Andover held off the remaining nine teams. Finishing first for Andover was Josh Wolfe, who held to a race plan well through the first two miles, then broke a little too soon into the lead when it seemed that the lead pack was slowing down. Everyone was

running a tactical race, but everyone was running fast as well; a break had to be perfectly timed. Josh finished sixth overall as five who held back a little longer managed to find a little extra for the kick. A flood of runners crossed the finish line a bit back from the lead pack, in it four Andover runners separated by a mere eight seconds. Justin Lee headed this group, finishing in sixteenth place in 16:35, followed by John Freker (20th, 16:38), Adam Kapor (21st, 16:40), and Chris Donais (23rd, 16:43). Jon Weigel and Ben Bramhall finished 36th and 59th to round out the Andover team, Jon wishing there had been some hills to challenge some of the faster-but-not-so-tough runners ahead of him, Ben wishing he had not been struck by a queasy stomach in the hour before the race. Both will return to race the hills at Hotchkiss in next year's Interschols. This has been a courageous and tough team, and they should be as proud of their season as the coaches are. Finishing five under 17:00 is enough to win first place in ordinary years.

PA Boys Cross Country Looks Strong with Quick Time Trials

by Wes Howe & Sean Hamilton
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

After spending their summers furiously training for the fall season, and, in many cases, racking up 50-plus mile weeks, the Boys in Blue were eager to test their strength together as a team. That opportunity came to them this Saturday, when a total of 23 runners ran their first time trial of the season.

While the time trial is not a definitive statement about how the team will perform this season, it does show the team's readiness to compete in its first two invitationals, Canterbury and Manchester.

Said Chris Donais '05, "The signs this year are good, with times in the top seven comparable to last year's Canterbury champions and second seven times significantly better than last year's squad."

Visiting Princeton over the weekend, front-runner Josh Wolfe '04 completed his own time trial Thursday, finishing with a time-trial record of 16:27. Coach Jon Stableford '63 took the opportunity to turn his race into a speed workout for the rest of the team, with each runner hitching onto Wolfe for a mile apiece.

With Wolfe gone for the time-trial, the initial lead was left to Captain Adam Kapor '04, John Freker '04 and Donais.

Kapor led the harriers out fast on the Great Lawn and then handed the lead over to Donais and Freker before reclaiming it in the Sanctuary.

Roughly two miles in, Kapor led the runners, cruising through the downhill portion, followed by Freker. The next three runners, Donais, Jon Hillman '05, and JJ Feigenbaum '04, trailed closely behind, in that order. Feigenbaum caught Donais on the hill, and they made their rounds on the Great Lawn together.

Kapor reached the finish line first, completing the 3.1 mile course in 17:15. The time is a solid early season mark for the Captain.

"Adam really ran a great race, even it was just a time trial," said Feigenbaum. "He's going to be key in bringing the whole pack closer to Josh up at the front."

Freker came in next, with a time of 17:38, followed by a succession of five runners finishing within nine seconds of each other, Feigenbaum (18:00), Donais (18:00), Will Riordan '05 (18:06), Jon Weigel '05 (18:07) and Justin Lee '06 (18:09).

In the 5-8 spots, pack running was the trend of the day. At the log cabin field, a group consisting of Riordan, Weigel, Lee, and Sean Hamilton '06 worked off each other to make it through the downhill stretch in good time.

The harriers then pushed out of Sanctuary and made for the

finish, posting times far superior to those of previous second-seven time trials. Hamilton came in at 18:29, pursued by Hillman, who ran an excellent first two miles, but whose struggle with the leaders took its toll in the third mile.

Seventeen seconds later Tom Church '05 finished, running the course in 18:53, a full 2 minutes faster than his last year's time trial. Tom's improvement is indicative of the kind of training that this year's cross country team has put in, as nearly everyone showed improvement from last year's time trial in this early marker of ability.

Following Church was a trio of senior runners, all finishing within a 17 second span. Logan Patrick '04, followed by new senior Dan Quinlan '04 and Darren Defreeuw '04, came in at 19:09, 19:21, and 19:26 respectively.

The most admirable run of the day was surely that of Dan Serna '04.

A strong four-year veteran, Serna ran with a calf injury and endured the pain instead of dropping out. His time of 20:00 shows the dedication to the team that he has demonstrated in his years moving up the ranks. Once recovered, Serna is sure to be a player in the top of the team.

These noteworthy results show that the team has the potential to be a top competitor in the league, now it's all up to their continued dedication to training and willingness to give it their all on race day.



Boys XC Wins Canterbury Cup

by JJ Feigenbaum
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS EDITOR

Eleven teams entered the Canterbury Invitational and, by the end of the day, it was clear to every one of those squads which was the best.

The Andover Boys Cross Country team placed five runners in the top eleven, including Josh Wolfe '04, who won the race in 16:51. The boys finished with a team score of 35, a full 32 points ahead of Deerfield Academy (low score wins). Loomis Chaffee took home the bronze trophy, as they tallied 85 to edge out Hopkins by a couple.

The boys went into Canterbury knowing they would have a target on their backs. Andover had won the invitational in 2002 and taken a second place the year before. However, the boys were confident that they had both the speed and depth to win. "As a team," Wolfe said, "we had to work it up to repeat last year's victory."

As Coach Stableford '63 wrote in his online summaries, "The race, we knew, would be up to the pack." Stableford's words proved right. Although Deerfield had two runners at fourth and fifth, Andover managed to plug in five before their third. Hopkins, another team Andover expected to challenge for the title, was never much of a threat, with only three runners in the top twenty.

The race started off fast, but the Boys in Blue had solid opening positions. As returning champs, the squad had the honor of the first box on the starting line and arguably the best position.

Wolfe quickly realized he would be able to run more or less uncontested, and took the race out hard from the start. He never looked back. The Canadian Sensation blasted through the very tough

Canterbury course and finished 14 seconds ahead his closest competitor. In second place was 2001 Interscholastic Champ David Nightingale of Loomis, recovering from an injury riddled 2002 campaign.

"I knew Nightingale would be there and that he'd be a potential threat," Wolfe said. "Coach said to follow him but instead I took it out pretty hard and slowly increased the lead."

Co-captain Adam Kapor '04, John Freker '04 and Chris Donais '05 made up the next wave of Andover runners. Running almost as a pack, the group pushed each other hard through the hills and woods of Canterbury.

The bunch, hampered per-

Canterbury Results	
1. Wolfe '04	16:51
6. Kapor '04	17:46
8. Donais '05	18:10
9. Freker '04	18:13
11. Lee '06	18:19

haps by starting too fast in their time trials the Saturday before, did not make the same mistake. They began under control and had plenty left over for the finish. Kapor, emerging as the team's very solid second runner, finished sixth overall in a time of 17:46. Though Kapor was discouraged by finishing just behind two rival Deerfield runners, the team believes Kapor will certainly be able to run down those two and many others come Interschols.

Donais and Freker followed their captain in the top ten, as

the pair hit 18:10 and 18:13 for eighth and ninth place, respectively. Last year, running as the team's seventh man, Donais finished twentieth in the race. "Chris' steady improvement will really be important for us," said teammate Wes Howe '05. "Last year, he was just a lower running varsity runner. Now, a year older and wiser, he can definitely hold his own."

Freker, meanwhile, appears to be back in form. After a fantastic lower year, Freker's 2002 season was plagued by injury. "John is back on track," said Jon Hillman '05. "I don't know where we'd be without him."

The second Andover pack, JJ Feigenbaum '04, Justin Lee '06 and John Weigel '05, followed closely behind the front of the seven for the first mile. By the time the troop hit the woods, they were well positioned ahead of the packs from Deerfield, Loomis and Hopkins.

As the team hit the tough hills in the second half of the course they could see the race laid out in front of them. Feigenbaum, suffering greatly in the race, instructed the two younger runners to get ahead and go run down "a few Pelicans." Lee and Weigel took the advice to heart.

Lee ran perhaps the best second half of the field, and moved from around twentieth place to eleventh. Weigel too picked his race up and finished in 16th. Feigenbaum, running far from a solid race, kicked in hard and made a disputed 26th place by the time it was over.

"Maybe the most promising part of our performance at Canterbury was the consistency of our pack," said Weigel. "As the sixth runner, I had our third, fourth, and fifth runners in my sight for the entire race. We can then all run together and push ourselves harder."

"We ran really well as a team," Wolfe summed up. "For a season-opener I was very impressed that we came out on top."



Courtesy of J. Stableford

The Boys Cross Country Eight celebrate with the hardware after dominating the Canterbury Invitational in their first meet of the year, Saturday.

Josh Wolfe '04 Runs to Blue Ribbon at Canterbury Invite

by Wes Howe

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

When Josh Wolfe '04 stepped up to the line last year for his first cross-country race, the expectation was that he would be quite successful at the 5k distance. Already successful on the track, the new Upper had the hopes of his team riding on his Canadian shoulders. After more than a year at Andover, Wolfe has proven the expectations correct to the fullest extent. The number one runner for the Boys in Blue has emerged as a top competitor in the Prep

School league.

Wolfe won last week's Canterbury invitational with a time of 16:51, on the hilly 5k course, beating out his nearest competitor by fourteen seconds. This is only the latest of Wolfe's many running successes, which include a 1:53 800m time and two first-place finishes at the 2003 Outdoor Track Interscholastic Championships.

Though set back by injury earlier this year, Wolfe has been able to persevere and keep his speed up. Said Wolfe, "I was injured last year for most of indoors, and then I slowly started to get back into it for outdoors and ran a couple of races here."

Encouraged by his success at Interschols, Wolfe decided to extend his outdoor track season by continuing his training for the 800m in Canada, where, as Wolfe commented, "I hit my stride." Back in racing form,

Wolfe's training consisted of low mileage, high intensity weeks, culminating with his success at UNH, where he ran a PR of 1:53 for the 800m.

With his focus now turned to the cross country season, Wolfe has set two lofty goals, "I would like the home course record. Then I have to choose between the Foot Locker Northeast Regional and the Canadian Championships. If I come in top six in Canada for my age group then I'll get to go to worlds."

A good showing in either of the races would cement Wolfe's spot as an international competitor. Foot Locker is regarded as the elite American cross-country race, and being a part of the Canadian national team would also bode well for Wolfe's future running career.

As teammate JJ Feigenbaum '04 bluntly put it, "Not bad for a guy that only started running the 5k a year ago."

Boys Cross Country Sprints Past Choate, Falls to Phillips Exeter Red in First Meet

by Sean Hamilton and Wes Howe
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

After taking a week off from formal racing due to complications with the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association, the boys of Andover Cross Country were itching to dig their spikes into some trails



last Saturday. They would end up having to do a whole lot of digging throughout the race, as the tri-meet with Exeter and Choate ended with a margin of three points between PA and both teams. The Harriers came in on top over Choate, 28-31, but narrowly lost to their northern foe, Exeter, 26-29.

The race began as the leaders quickly darted ahead. A pack of two Exies, three Choate runners and Josh Wolfe '04 formed a pack even before entering the sanctuary. Choate's front runner, Nate Gelb '04, who has been in top form since early August, led until the long cabin. At that point, Wolfe took the lead and made good use of his long stride on the downhill portion of the course. Gelb was not far behind, but the two Exeter runners fell off from the pack, as did the two Choate harriers.

On the great lawn, Gelb made a gutsy move for the lead. With a little more than a quarter of a mile to go, he launched into a sprint, taking Wolfe by surprise, and capturing a short lead. By the end of the race, his lead on Wolfe grew to a whopping eighteen seconds as Gelb came in for the win at 15:54, a mere fourteen seconds off the record pace set by Pablo Durana '02 in November of 2001.

Wolfe came in at 16:12, and four seconds later came two successive Exies, Harry Norton '04 and Amo Ferguson '05. The two had worked late in the race to gain the time lost on the downhill portion, but in the end could not take the tiring Wolfe. Next were two Choate runners, followed by the third member of the Exeter squad, finishing in 17:02. Finally the Andover pack arrived on the scene. The next three places went to the 2-4 runners of the PA team, returning powerhouse John Freker '04 (17:03), newcomer Justin Lee '06 (17:06), and Captain Adam Kapor '04 (17:07).

Exeter brought its fourth and fifth man in next, cementing its victory. Fourteen seconds behind



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Jon Weigel '05 and John Freker '04 kick in hard at the end of their races on Saturday. Freker finished second for the Boys in Blue, Weigel ended up as Andover's fifth.

the fifth Exie, Jon Weigel '05 came in at 17:30, followed six seconds later by Sean Hamilton '06 and Will Riordan '05.

The scoring of the Exeter team was set, but Choate had only brought in three of its scoring five. An exhausted duo of Jon Hillman '05 and JJ Feigenbaum '04 managed to defeat the third harrier, finishing in 17:47 and 17:48 respectively. Chris Donais '05 came in thirty-five seconds later, suffering from a groin injury that took him out of contention in the race from the start.

The performances of the varsity ten show the depth of the PA team. This team was able to bounce back from a few poor personal performances because unlike many teams, PA runs ten in the Varsity. Three of the Varsity runners will not figure in the score at all, neither by scoring nor displacement, but they are still essential to the success of the squad because of the support they lend to the team. Said Donais, "The ten man team is important because it allows other people to show what they have... as well as allowing runners to move up on the team who may not have moved up without the ten man team." This system promotes a stronger sense of teamwork than the seven man

team, as places shift weekly. All ten runners work to be part of the essential seven, and push each other to do well in their quest to make that seven.

In the JV race, PA had a serious presence at the front. With Exeter entering only 3 in the race and Choate bringing almost their entire program it was going to be an interesting race from the start. Even after entering 10 harriers in the varsity race the JV squad was still able to come out on top.

Coming in first was Dan Quinlan '04 with a time of 18:04. This time not only shows what Quinlan can do when he is given the lead; it shows that the new senior is going to be a great addition to the team now that his injury has apparently healed. Crossing the line in second was Logan Patrick '04 at 18:16.

Patrick was dogged most of the race by Exeter's first runner who arrived in third at 18:23.

Dan Serna '04 and Geoff Miller '05 led the next pack of Andover runners, finishing just a half-second apart at 18:31 and 18:31.5. Miller had a break out race, improving by just over a minute over his time trial time. Following them was newcomer Nick Bowen '06, who ran 1:20 faster than his previous best on the

course finishing at 18:40, trailed by Darren Defreew '04 at 18:44.

Exeter then produced their second runner followed closely by Andover's David Heighington '06 just 5 seconds behind at 18:47. Exeter did not have enough runners to officially score in the meet, however, as they had entered only three runners.

Choate didn't play a major role at the front, with their first runner coming in at 19:16, and they fell to the Boys in Blue, 15-50 a complete cross country sweep.

The race was a great showing of depth in the Andover harriers, and their ability to run well in challenging conditions. The posting of many Personal records is certainly a sign of improvement, and the JV squad will certainly be a force to be reckoned with in the races to come.

The team next faces Brooks, St. Paul's, and Tabor at the Brook's course. Training this week is focused on flat speed, as opposed to the hill speed of previous years. Times can be expected to drop thirty seconds to a minute before the end of the season, and Coach Stableford contends that above race pace track speed is the way to make those kinds of improvements.

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Big Blue Cross Country runner Josh Wolfe '04 finished second in Saturday's race against Phillips Exeter and Choate Rosemary Hall.

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Sean Hamilton '06 and Will Riordan '05 kick in ahead of their SPS competitor, while Josh Wolfe '04, Andover's best runner, blasts home in his record-breaking race against Brooks.

PA Boys XC Takes Quad-meet; Girls Fall to SPS, Beat Brooks

by Sean Hamilton & Justin Yi
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Girls Cross Country

The Lady Blue traveled just over the hill to North Andover just past Saturday, matching up against St. Paul's, Brooks, and Tabor. The girls had lost four of their top runners, making it difficult for them to pull off a sweep. They tried the best they could, defeating both Brooks and Tabor, but losing to St. Paul's 32-25.

Katie Faulkner '06 finished in second place, running 20:15 and first for the Lady Blue runners. Following her were Katie Morris '07, 6th at 22:05, and Captain Hoppy Maffione '04 in seventh place at 22:06. Anne Sharp '05, Courtney Blackwell '06, Emma Wood '07, and Debby Kuhn '05 all finished close behind the lead runners to help PA beat Brooks and Tabor.

Even though the girls lost to St. Paul's, they were comfortable with the outcome. "It's a bummer that we lost to St. Paul's, but it's understandable since half of the girls had to drop", explained Captain Hoppy Maffione '04, "But it was really nice to see some of our runners really step it up and take on more responsibility than they are used to."

Boys Cross Country

In Andover's meet with St. Paul's, Brooks and Tabor Saturday at Brooks, Andover shined, defeating all the teams present handily. The two success stories of the day lie clearly at the front of the race. In the varsity heat, Josh Wolfe '04 started out with a blistering 4:53 first mile and

never looked back, winning the race outright by 55 seconds, coming over the line in 16:01. In the process he smashed Franklin Sanchez's five-year-old course record by 14 seconds. In the next pack, Justin Lee '06 nailed down third spot overall in 17:05, splitting up 2 SPS harriers in the process.

The Andover pack then arrived in full force, starting with Co-captain Adam Kapor '04 at 17:24,

then a stream of uppers, Jon Weigel '05, Chris Donais '05, Will Riordan '05, and John Hillman '05, all finishing within 21 seconds. This tight group of runners has been progressing steadily all season.

Coming in 14 second later the final group of Andover harriers of Dan Quinlan '04, Sean Hamilton '06 and J.J. Feigenbaum '04 all arrived ahead of the first Brooks runner.



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In the tradition of Parents' Weekend, all seniors are permitted to run in the varsity race for the Boys in Blue. Coach Jon Stableford '63 permits many older runners to step up into the first race in front of their cheering parents. The seniors not usually included in the varsity squad may well duel with the slower NMH team. This will likely push their times faster, which may expose new strengths in the team. Since NMH does not pose much of a threat, Andover will be resting less than usual in the days leading up to Saturday's race. The Andover boys have been piling on mileage this past week in hopes that pushing it harder than usual will lead to gains in strength and speed for next Saturday's race against Deerfield. In essence, Saturday's race with NMH will serve as another workout, a tune up for bigger things to come. Just as Pablo Durana '02 did two years ago, Josh Wolfe '04 will have a great chance at running down the course record. Said teammate JJ Feigenbaum '04 of Wolfe, "We have been saying for a while that Josh has a shot at the record. Maybe he'll go for it this week, or maybe he'll go for it against Exeter. Regardless Josh will run a great race." After Wolfe, the Boys in Blue will look to Justin Lee '06, Co-captain Adam Kapor '04, Jon Hillman '05, John Freker '04, Chris Donais '05, Will Riordan '05, Jon Weigel '05 and Dan Quinlan '04 to lead the pack past the Hoggers hoarde.

NMH:

Last week, NMH lost 20-41 to Exeter. They have a few front-runners, including standout John Petrofsky '04, NMH's Athlete of the Week last week, but the team is lacking overall. Andover plans to train through this race, as NMH is not a credible threat to the Big Blue. NMH will not be a threat at the JV level either. In 2002, Andover, without Wolfe, defeated the Hoggers handily and expect to do so again this season.

Josh Wolfe '04



Since his arrival at Andover, Josh Wolfe '04 has excelled beyond all expectations. Following in the footsteps of his fellow Canadian, course record holder Pablo Durana '02, Wolfe is well on his way to matching if not besting Durana's top marks. In fact, it was exactly two years ago, on Parents' Weekend of his senior season that Durana set the home course record of 15:40. Wolfe has run only two seasons of cross-country, but his performances suggest much more experience. He is an intelligent racer, and is always intense in workouts. Originally an 800-meter runner, he brings lightning speed to the sport.

Justin Lee '06



Justin Lee '06 is a welcome addition to this year's team. A new lower, he's shown strength in every race. Lee has improved with every showing, and there is no sign of this improvement slowing. He now occupies the essential second position on the team. He's moved up in the ranks in speed work outs as well, and is characterized by his consistency in races. Lee keeps his pace under control for the beginning of the race, keeping that pace throughout the race. He comes through in the last mile, when opponents are gasping for air, and he's conserved enough strength to out-kick them.

Andover Harriers Trounce Northfield Mount Hermon

by Wes Howe
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Despite the absence of two varsity runners, Andover's Boy Cross-Country ran right over the NMH Hoggers in last Saturday's Boys' Cross Country race.

Facing the Northfield Mount Hermon Hoggers on Parents' Weekend, the Boys in Blue posted personal records and captured the race. Andover defeated NMH 25-32 in the varsity race, and took the JV race handily, 19-36. The team showed that even without varsity staples Jon Weigel '05 and Justin Lee '06, it could still secure a comfortable victory.

Josh Wolfe '04 led the race from the start, and sped in to win with a 15:52, merely twelve seconds off the record set in 2001 by Pablo Durana '02. The time is tied for sixth best on the course, and the team is confident that Wolfe has the ability to make up those extra 12 seconds and capture the course record.

Andover's new second-place runner, Chris Donais '05 ran the most impressive race of the day. At last year's Parents' Weekend race, Donais posted a solid 17:35, but Saturday's time eclipsed that by over a minute. Donais came in for the silver, beating out NMH's star runner, John Petrofsky '04, with an impressive kick that gained him seven seconds, and setting his home-course PR at a blistering 16:32.

Donais started out fast, and held on to Petrofsky, never trailing more than fifty yards. When it came down to the last mile, Donais went all out, and distanced himself by an impressive seven second margin.

After the early victories, Andover fell back a bit. The second Hogger out-kicked Adam Kapor '04 (16:58), and after that NMH took the sixth and seventh spots in 17:12 and 17:13.

This was where the absence of Weigel and Lee was felt the most, as they would have been able to break up the NMH places for the Blue. Both are recovering from minor injuries this week, and will likely participate in the race at Deerfield.

After the four Hoggers crossed, seven Andover harriers, Jon Hillman '05, John Freker '04, Will Riordan '05, JJ Feigenbaum '04, Darren Defreeuw '04, Logan Patrick '04, and Dan Quinlan '04 came

in before NMH's fifth and final runner. Dan Serna '04 closed out the race for the Blue.

In the JV race, the underclassmen's efforts gained an impressive Andover victory. NMH only ran five in the varsity race, so the JV boys had to face their 6-10 runners as scorers, but they showed they team could handle it.

In the first mile, a distinct pack of three Andover harriers formed, consisting of Sean Hamilton '06, Ben Bramhall '07 and Wes Howe '05. NMH's first runner was not far behind, and when Howe fell back from the pack shortly before the first mile the Hogger went on to challenge for the lead.

Hamilton and Bramhall fared well against the competitor, and in the end Bramhall out-kicked his opponent for the win, with a time of 17:43: beating many of the varsity runners. The NMH runner came in three seconds later, followed by Hamilton in third.

Howe came in next at 18:27, followed seven seconds later by Nick Bowen '06. Dave Heighington '06 finished the scoring five.

The squad demonstrated that even with sickness and injury at the front, it can succeed.

This Saturday, the boys will face Deerfield at their grassy, 2.7 mile course. Considerably shorter than what Andover has competed on all season, the Deerfield course gives Deerfield an experience advantage, but Andover has the added strength of having run 3.1 miles races thus far.

Even with the Green stronger this year than in the past, a win for Andover is likely.

It is getting late in the season, and the fast, flat, grassy course may provide an ideal testing ground for each team's speed.

With only three races to go, the boys have built the base on which they will rely for the remainder of the season, and are confident that that base will serve them well.

Said Hillman, "We're ready, not only for Deerfield, but for the rest of the league, too. The guys we have live for this stuff, they were born tough, and the workouts we've done lately have helped bring that toughness out."

THE BREAKDOWN: BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Boys Cross Country Set to Battle Exeter Big Red

BY WESTON HOWE

"From what we have seen, Exeter should pose a formidable threat to our squad. However, we have done enough work to take this race home."

- Josh Wolfe '04



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Andover's Varsity: Four weeks ago, Andover Boys Cross Country dropped the first race of their season, losing the Big Red of Exeter, 26-29. Now, a week before Interschols, the Boys in Blue have a chance for redemption as Exeter returns to the Great Lawn. Josh Wolfe '04 leads the boys at the front of the pack as he has all season. Wolfe's mission tomorrow is two-fold. Most importantly, Wolfe will look to outrace Exeter's twin aces, Harry Norton '04 and Arno Ferguson '05. Wolfe took both in the first race and it is unlikely that Wolfe will be willing to yield his spot at king of the mountain. Secondly, Wolfe has his eye on the course record. The 15:40 set by legendary runner Pablo Durana '02 seems within range for Wolfe, who hit 15:54 in his last race at Andover, two weeks ago. After Wolfe, and presumably Exeter's top two, the Andover pack will have to lock up the race. Co-captain Adam Kapor '04, Justin Lee '05, Chris Donais '05 and John Freker '04 all have the mission of beating Exeter's third. After that quartet, another of Jon Hillman '05, Jon Weigel '05, JJ Feigenbaum '04 and Sean Hamilton '05 will trail down the back of the race for the Boys in Blue. Frosh sensation Ben Bramhall '07 rounds out the varsity ten for the Boys in Blue. After a rough first varsity race at Deerfield, Bramhall looks to rebound back on his home turf. The team knows it has what it takes to beat Exeter, but it will just be a matter of going out there and doing it. Said Donais, "Although Exeter seems to be evenly matched with us, I know we can overcome their speed and win this race."

Exeter's Varsity: Andover knows two things about Exeter's top two, Norton and Ferguson. First, they will run together, and second, they will run fast. After their stars, Exeter boasts a pack as solid as Andover's own. The Boys in Blue will have to beat Exeter man for man from third place on, if they hope to down the undefeated Red.

Andover's JV: Led by an experienced bunch of runners, Andover's JV has steamrolled every team they have faced this year. Seniors Logan Patrick, Dan Quinlan, Darren deFreeuw, Dan Serna and Upper Wes Howe will take the race out hard. After that fast early pack, Andover has depth unseen in the rest of the Prep League.

RACE TIME - 2:30 AT THE GREAT LAWN

The Faces of Andover Cross Country



Josh Wolfe '04

The Boys in Blue have been dominating in 2003, and that all starts at the top. Wolfe has won every race this season, save one, and will look to continue his streak against the Big Red. Earlier this season, Wolfe set a course record at Brooks, shattering the previous record by nearly 15 seconds. A two-year Senior, the Canadian Sensation has but one race left to etch his name into the Andover record books.



Adam Kapor '04

Co-captain Kapor's Senior season is finally picking up. After an IT band injury hobbled him in early October, he has been working his way back to the front of Andover's pack. Kapor's toughness to run through the pain is similar to his usual all-out style of running. "Adam's return from injury will have a great impact on our chances at Interschols," said teammate Chris Donais '05. Donais continued, "His presence in the race and his leadership will help the team to succeed." The boys will need Kapor to knock off the third Exeter runner on Saturday if they hope to exact revenge for an early-season loss to the Big Red.



Justin Lee '06

"Lee is one of those guys whom you can count on to come through in the clutch," said teammate Jon Hillman '05. A new Lower, Lee has already melded well with the team. His calm manner brings to the squad increased confidence in their newest weapon's ability. Commenting on Lee's success as only a Lower, Andover's biggest star, Wolfe, said, "It's great to see someone young on the team who has improved so much so quickly. Justin's improvement and performances when we've needed him are impressive, and when you factor in his age, you can tell that he's only going to get stronger."



Chris Donais '05

With experience and an obvious passion for the sport, Donais has stepped it up during the past few weeks. Just two weeks after sustaining a debilitating groin injury, Donais battled back to run a blistering 16:32 during Andover's home meet against NMH. Donais' determination and recent success has motivated the rest of the team and gives the boys an even stronger shot at a league title. Donais' 16:32 was the second fastest time on Andover's course by an Andover runner. Jon Hillman '05 said of Donais breakout race, "If Donais can run like that at Schols, we'll be well off. He's a crucial piece of the puzzle and I know he can pull off another race like that."

Andover XC Races Past Deerfield Green Harriers

by Sean Hamilton and Wes Howe
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

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The Andover Boys Cross Country team flew through the green fields of Deerfield to capture another win for the Big Blue. With only two races left in the season, the boys have much to prove to themselves, first in the well-matched battle with Exeter and then on the Loomis course for Interschols.



In the varsity race, Josh Wolfe '04 led the race, followed closely by Deerfield's top runners, Nick Blixt '05 and Sam Reid '05. Though he kept a comfortable lead throughout the race, Wolfe was not as much of a front runner as he usually is. Suffering from a headache and general fatigue, Wolfe could be seen by the two Deerfield harriers behind him. He pulled out the win despite his ailments, however, coming in at 14:20 on the short 2.75 mile course.

Blixt and Reid came in next for the Green, in 14:35 and 14:47 respectively. The next eight runners were all Andover, an amazing feat. A total of nine Andover harriers beat out Deerfield's third runner, clearly showing Andover's dominance.

Co-captain Adam Kapor '04 led the pack in 14:59, followed by Chris Donais '05 (15:12), Justin Lee '06 (15:34), John Freker '04 (15:38), Jon Hillman '05 (15:44), J.J. Feigenbaum '04 (15:45), Jon Weigel '05 (15:46) and Sean Hamilton '06 (15:47).

Deerfield's third, Robert Wells, hung on to the end of the pack to come in at 15:48, and Andover's last varsity harrier, freshman phenomenon Ben Bramhall '06 pulled in for a

solid 16:05, beating the remaining five of the Green.

The times were slow, however, and did not compare favorably to those of Exeter, the teams principal rival, when the Big Red raced at Deerfield two weeks before.

In the JV race, Andover's seniors anchored a solid victory for the team. New senior Dan Quinlan '04 lead from the start, sifting out the runners until a distinct 4-man pack formed at the front, consisting of seniors Logan Patrick '04, Dan Serna '04, and Darren Defreeuw '04. The power of pack running showed, and the Andover harriers put time between themselves and the Deerfield runners. As the pack passed the 2-mile marker, Andover victory was in hand with a group of three blazing ahead and Serna maintaining contact.

Behind the lead pack, Co-captain Tom Barron '04, Wes Howe '05, and David Heighington '06 battled with the first two Deerfield runners. At the finish, Andover dominated; winning the footraces to put 6 harriers in front of Deerfield's first. Leading the way was the senior duo of Patrick and Quinlan crossing the line in 16:19 for the 2.75 mile course. Seven seconds behind crossed Defreeuw, shortly followed by Serna at 16:37.

The battle for Andover's fifth and sixth places was hard fought. With 3/4 of a mile to go, one Deerfield runner had a grasp on Andover's Howe and Barron. With Coach Stableford's encouragement, the two went to work to tire their foe before the race was done. Taking turns with the lead every 200 meters, Barron and Howe left the first Deerfield finisher in the dust, outlasting him to come in together at 16:41, a crucial two seconds in front of their competitor.

Next up is the fabled Andover-Exeter meet. The Boys in Blue faced Exeter early in the season and lost in a close battle. The teams are evenly matched, with Andover's Wolfe leading, followed by two solid Exeter runners, Ferguson and Norton. It should be a fight to the finish, but the Blue know they can pull out the win with some solid performances throughout the team.

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Exeter Big Red Outpaces PA XC, Boys Look For Revenge at 'Schols

by Wes Howe & Sean Hamilton
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

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Every year the Andover and Exeter Varsity Cross Country squads face off for the second most important meet of the season: with only one race to go, each team does its best to prove their dominance against their arch rivals.

Both teams have the opportunity to go into Interschols the victors of the rivalry, and Exeter took the cake this time around, with a convincing win, 23-32.

Andover's varsity just fell apart. Starting off fast, everyone worked to hold their planned spots, but the fast start took too much out of the team, and only Ben Bramhall '07 and Justin Lee '06 were able to mount decent kicks for the final great lawn loop.

Even Josh Wolfe '04, the Boys in Blue's Canadian frontrunner, could not escape unseathed. He lost the lead in the last mile, and fell back a full 14 seconds to finish in a disappointing 16:08. The loss in the front was a sign of things to come, and the Andover harriers could not hold their nemesis off.

Exeter ran a remarkable race. Senior Harry Norton shocked the Andover crowd with his strong win, and clocked an impressive 15:54.

Next in for the Red was upper Arno Ferguson, who came in only eight seconds behind Wolfe, gaining considerable dis-

tance in the final stretches of the race. Exeter's intended third runner dropped out after less than a mile in, and had he continued the loss would have been even more pronounced.

Co-captain Adam Kapor '04 is confident that the team will work out the kinks for Saturday's Interschols. Said Kapor, "We've shown that we have the goods this year. We've shown in our previous races that each guy in our top 7 is capable of running the race that needs to be run for our team to win. If Josh and the next pack can run as well as each one of us has run at least once during the season, we'll come back in a week and win New Englands. Quite simply, our losing to Exeter will shock us into running faster."

The Andover JV squad fared much better their varsity teammates against their red foes, wrapping up their undefeated season with a strong victory over Exeter. This victory takes on an even better shape when you consider that Exeter ran only seven to Andover's ten in the varsity heat. Andover defeated Exeter's 8-14 runners with their 11-16 runners.

The boys approached the line with the taste of blood in their mouths from seeing Exeter's victory in the varsity, and were resolute to avenge their teammates' loss.

Around the great Lawn, a large pack formed consisting primarily of Andover harriers, later joined by two of the foe. By the time the harriers entered the sanctuary, the Andover pack looked set to take the win. However, it was Godfrey of

Exeter that emerged from the sanctuary first, dogged a few yards behind by the senior duo of Logan Patriek '04 and Dan Quinlan '04. Godfrey, who ran a paced race, won the contest in 18:01. Next, Quinlan crossed the line in 18:10 followed closely by Patriek, five seconds behind at 18:15.

After jostling with the Red's second runner for the last mile of the race, Wes Howe '05, Andover's next runner, prevailed on the lawn. After the second Exeter runner two more seniors, Darren Defreeuw '04 and Dan Serna '04, finished one second apart crossing at 18:31 and 18:32 respectively. After a string of three Exeter runners to keep the contest close, David Heighington '06 and Co-captain Tom Barron '04 crossed rounding out the Blue's scoring seven.

Next up: Interschols. What the team has been training for since June. They are ready; it is up to them to put it all together. Andover will look to get revenge on Exeter, the only team to have beaten them in 2003 at a course in Winsor, CT none of the boys, or coaches, have ever seen. The race, originally slated for Loomis Chaffee, had to be moved after the Pelican's home course was severely flooded.

The Andover Varsity Seven set to run for the Boys in Blue will be Wolfe, Kapor, Chris Donais '05, Lee, Bramhall, John Freker '04 and Jon Weigel '04. Andover will race eleven in the JV race: Jon Hillman '05, Sean Hamilton '06, JJ Feigenbaum '04, Quinlan, Patrick, Serna, Defreeuw, Barron, Geoff Miller '05, Heighinton and Howe.



Courtesy of S. Hamilton

Josh Wolfe '04 kicks towards the finish on Parents' Weekend, to the delight of his father. Wolfe took sixth at Interschols.

Boys in Blue Take Third

by Wes Howe

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

The Boys Cross Country Team traveled to Windsor Connecticut on Saturday to run in the NEPSTA Interschols. Losing only twice in the regular season, both heart-breakers to an exceedingly strong Exeter team, the Blue Harriers were confident that they could make a strong showing.

The race was full of surprises. At the two mile, Andover's Josh Wolfe '04 led, closely hounded by a pack of runners from Choate, Loomis, and most notably Exeter's senior-upper duo, Harry Norton and Arno Ferguson. Wolfe asserted himself too early, however, and dropped a crucial 15 seconds off the lead in the final mile. He finished in an impressive 15:46 for sixth place.

Finishing next for Andover was new lower Justin Lee, who finished in 16:35 for 17th place. Lee ran a smart race, as he has been doing all season, holding back in the pack and asserting himself in the final stretches. A surging Jon Freker '04 took the next place for Andover three seconds later, closely trailed by Co-captain Adam Kapor '04, finishing 20th and 21st respectively. Andover's scoring five rounded out with Chris Donais '05 (23rd at 16:43). The team ran in a tight pack, with four runners coming in within an eight second period, but their teamwork wasn't enough to capture the win.

Andover's 6th and 7th runners, Jon Weigel '05 and Ben Bramhall '07 came in 36th and 59th, displacing many other teams' scoring runners in the 82 man race.

Choate had a very impressive showing in the top spots, capturing first, third and fifth. Exeter, however, showed its depth and captured the 2, 7, 15, 16, and 22 spots to earn the win with a score of 62.

Choate took second, with weaker runners in the four and five spots coming in 31st and 33rd.

In the JV, the Blue continued their undefeated streak. A mere 400 yards into the race, the Blue presence up front was clear. Co-captain Tom Barron took the race out hard, leading by more than 50 yards at one point, while the rest of the team held back a bit, battling with two Exeter runners, a Loomis harrier, and a St. Paul's one. Jon Hillman '05 took the race over around the two mile mark, with Sean Hamilton '06 right on his tail. Next were two Exies, and an Andover pack of JJ Feigenbaum '04, Logan Patrick '04 Dan Quinlan '04, Darren Defreeuw '04, Wes Howe '05 and the two runners from St. Paul's and Loomis.

With a half mile to go, Howe moved up to take the lead of the pack and, followed by Quinlan, worked to make a strong push in for the finish.

Hillman took first in 17:24, with Hamilton a second behind. Exeter put in two next, then came in St. Paul's Wookie Kim, who outkicked Quinlan and Howe to capture fifth. Quinlan took sixth in 17:36, followed a second behind by Howe. Loomis' Bryan Jennings captured eighth, but Andover's Feigenbaum (17:40), Patrick (17:45) and Defreeuw (17:45) took the next three spots.

The Blue's remaining racers fared well, Barron (14th, 17:57), Dan Serna '04 (16th, 18:01), Geoff Miller '05 (20th, 18:14), and Dave Heighington (23rd, 18:17) all came in the top fourth of the race.

Andover totaled a mere 25 points in the race, and not only won, but also defeated the entire field combine. This performance bodes well for the future, and demonstrates the effects of the training program. Andover's team is just faster through the ranks than their competitors.



SPORT: Girls Cross Country

YEAR: 2003-2004

CAPTAIN: Catherine (Hoppy) Maffione

HOME ADDRESS: Alpharetta, GA

MANAGER: Laylah Mohammed

HOME ADDRESS: Andover, MA

COACH: Nancy Lang

ASSISTANT COACHES: Lindsey Shaw, Elwin Sykes

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Hoppy Maffione (Captain)	2004	Alpharetta, GA
Katherine Adams	2006	Chicago, IL
Celia Alexander	2004	Greenwich, CT
Kendra Allenby	2005	Annandale, NJ
Emily Anderson	2007	Dracut, MA
Suzy Anderson	2004	Intervale, NH
Courtney Blackwell	2006	West Hartford, CT
Marysia Blackwood	2006	Cracow, Poland
Katherine Chen	2006	Yorktown Heights, NY
Lisa Donchak	2006	San Clemente, CA
Laura Eddy	2005	Randolph, VT
Katie Faulkner	2006	Homer, AK
Hillary Fischer-Groban	2005	Cambridge, MA
Christina Hung	2005	Andover, MA
Chloe Hurley	2005	Providence, RI
Mia Kanak	2006	Tokyo, Japan
Debby Kuhn	2005	Ipswich, MA
Amy Lippe	2004	Los Altos Hills, CA
Julia Littlefield	2006	Andover, MA
Eileen Manning	2005	Chester, CT
Kendra Massengill	2006	Richmond, VA
Catalina McCallum	2005	New Canaan, CT
Katie Morris	2007	Andover, MA
Alison Murphy	2005	Piedmont, CA
Maggie Reich	2006	Houston, TX
Lissy Robie	2004	Raleigh, NC
Anne Sharp	2005	Andover, MA
Chas Steinhardt	2005	Boulder, CO
Laney Sullivan	2007	Hingham, MA
Sarah Waldo	2005	Dracut, MA
Skylar Washburn	2005	Andover, MA
Emma Wood	2007	New York, NY

Manager:	Layla Mohammed	2005	Andover, MA
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Head Coach:	Nancy Lang
Assistant Coaches:	Lindsey Shaw
	Elwin Sykes



DATE OF CONTEST: SEPTEMBER 17, 2003

OPPONENT: BROOKS/TYNGSBORO

WHERE PLAYED ANDOVER (HOME)

RESULTS: 26-32 vs Tyngsboro 20-42 vs. Brooks



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Andover Girls Cross Country could not crack the top three places in their trimeet with Brooks and Tyngsboro, but a solid pack enabled the Girls to come away with the win.

Lady Blue Harriers Speed Past Brooks and Tyngsboro in Opener

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	20
Brooks	42
Andover	13
Tyngsboro	26

After months of summer training, the Andover Girls Cross Country were ready to finally put their speed to the test in an early-season scrimmage against Brooks and Tyngsboro. The girls crossed the finish line at the end of their gru-



eling 5k to beat both Tyngsboro 13-26 and Brooks 20-42 in a three-team meet.

The course, which spans just over three miles brings the girls around the Great Lawn, behind the Chapel, through the full Sanctuary loop, and back to the lawn for the finish. Since the course is long and hilly, times are slower than those run at our rivals' courses. Wednesday's times were nevertheless incredible for being so early in the season and the fact that the girls were told to tone down their races to prepare for Saturday's race big race at Canterbury.

The top Brooks runner took off early, and came in with a dominat-

ing win. Tyngsboro followed with two runners in second and third place, but after that, it was all Andover.

Lissy Robie '04 crossed the finish line fourth with a time of 21:30. Immediately following Robie was the rest of the Andover top four, starting with fifth place finisher Anne Sharp '05. Sharp was next off the course with a time of 21:43.

Katharine Adams '06 and Captain Hoppy Maffione '04 came in together with times of 21:59 and 22:01, respectively, to bring in sixth and seventh places.

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PA GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY BEATS TYNGSBORO HS

BLUE BASHES BROOKS

Lady Blue Runners Make Due Minus Faulkner '06

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Finishing out the top five was new runner Katie Morris '07, with a time of 22:09 in ninth place.

Coach Nancy Lang was also impressed with the runners and remained positive about the season. "After the race, I saw a lot of emotion on the girls' faces," she said. "Most people were really excited about their times, but even the few that were disappointed really cared about the race and its outcome. With that sort of focus and emotion put into the races, I really think we can improve a lot as a team."

The girls used the race, or what Coach Lang referred to as "a time trial with guests to push you," to get a good baseline time for their early season.

Sharp said, "I think that if today is a sign of things to come, then we're going to be awesome. It was a good way to get acquainted with the course. It was the first time that I really enjoyed a home race."

Other runners include Alison Murphy '05 and Courtney Blackwell '06 who came in at 22:11 and 22:17, respectively, but were separated by a lone Tyngsboro runner and crossed the line at tenth and 12th place finishes overall. Catalina McCallum followed with a time of 24:15 with still more Andover runners pouring in over the finish.

Leading runner Robie explained the success of the race. "We had some really good competition today, and the team really responded to the other runners. It was also a first race for a lot of people, and we people can only get better from there. Next week, when we get to Canterbury it will be interesting to see how the team responds to even more competition."

DATE OF CONTEST: SEPTEMBER 20, 2003

OPPONENT: CANTERBURY INVITATIONAL

WHERE PLAYED Canterbury

RESULTS: First Place

Lady Blue Cross Country Dominates at Canterbury

by Justin Yi

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Ladies of Andover Cross Country arrived at the Canterbury Invitational in style, bringing home the first-place trophy and burning past their closest competition.

Facing one of the toughest courses of the season and competing with over 200 other runners from 27 teams, Andover claimed the esteemed Canterbury Invitational first-place trophy with an impressive team score of 84. Suffield and NMH tallied 131 and 146 points, respectively, for second and third place.

Arriving first at the finish line for Andover was Katharine Adams '06, who came in tenth place with a time of 22:11. It was quite an accomplishment for the new lower, in what was her first official cross country race for the Big Blue.

"I thought it was a really hard course, but everyone gave it all they had to help our team pull far ahead of the others," Adams explained. "Our team was so solid and consistent that even though we didn't get the highest places, we had a bulk of our team in very good spots to help keep our score pretty low."

Right behind Adams was Lissy Robie '04 who ran to twelfth place. Robie recalls the toughest point of the race, "There was a ridiculous hill right before the two mile mark, and a lot of girls were getting passed. There were just a lot of twists and turns and it never ended. But overall we did a really

good job. Especially Katharine, she rocked the hills. They were intimidating, but they were mostly just a mental challenge."

Following Robie, a wave of PA runners helped secure the win, as five PA girls finished in the top 25. Alison Murphy '05 came through in 16th place, followed closely by Captain Hoppy Maffione '04, who ran a 23:06 to earn 21st place.

Anne Sharp '05 and Courtney Blackwell '06 were right behind Maffione in 25th and 27th places with times of 23:10 and 23:12, respectively. Catalina McCallum '05 rounded out the seven in 86th place.



Courtesy of Tom Barron '04

Lissy Robie '04 finished in twelfth place at Canterbury.

DATE OF CONTEST: OCTOBER 4, 2003

OPPONENT: CHOATE

WHERE PLAYED ANDOVER (HOME)

RESULTS: 24 - 37

10/4/2003

Girls Cross Country Runs Away From Choate

The girls varsity runners defeated Choate 24-37 on PA's home course Saturday. PA had some great times for the day. Of the 22 who raced, 20 ran season's bests. Both coaches and runners were excited by the fact that most of the team's training group raced today. Katie Faulkner came in 3rd overall in the varsity and ran a 19:55, followed by Lissie Robie, 7th overall, with a 20:41. Andover now has eight girls who've run under 22 minutes for a 5K, and that's great for this point in our season. Choate won the JV race 26-30, which tells us that many teams run deep, but the loss comes with great lessons for our novice runners! A last minute addition to Saturday's race was the Exeter team running in a scrimmage against the other two schools. Exeter (26-31 winners against PA in the scrimmage) will be the Blue's biggest rival throughout the season, and they pose a formidable challenge with outstanding talent. We're up for the challenge!

DATE OF CONTEST: OCTOBER 11, 2003

OPPONENT: BROOKS / SPS

WHERE PLAYED Brooks

RESULTS: 32-25 vs SPS 20-36 vs Brooks 16-43 vs Tabor

10/11/2003

Depleted Girls Cross Country Manages Two Out of Three

The girls cross country team took on St. Paul's, Tabor and Brooks on the Brooks course Saturday afternoon. The team, missing three of its top 8 runners, managed victories over Tabor and Brooks, but lost to a strong St. Paul's squad. The day's results were: PA - 32 St. Pauls School - 25: PA - 20 Brooks School - 36; PA - 16 Tabor - 43. The PA girls who did race ran well on the day. They had good times on a tough course and learned a good deal about the competitive challenge St. Paul's will pose at Interschols! PA hopes to run a full strength next Saturday at home against NMH. Northfield is strong this year and should give us a good race next week.

Andover's top 7 finishers: 2nd - Katie Faulkner, 20:15, 6th - Katie Morris, 22:05, 7th - Hoppy Maffione, 22:06, 9th - Anne Sharp, 22:14, 15th - Courtney Blackwell, 23:05, 21st - Emma Wood, 23:55, 28th - Debby Kuhn, 25:12.

DATE OF CONTEST: OCTOBER 18, 2003

OPPONENT: N.M.H.

WHERE PLAYED ANDOVER, MA [HOME]

RESULTS: V: 24-33 JV: 18-45

10/19/2003

Girls Cross Country Kicks Past NMH 24-32

Superb races today! Katie Faulkner won the race and ran a personal best, 19:40. Lissy Robie took 3rd in 21:04, followed closely by Katie Morris in 21:06, beating out the second NMH runner who came in in 21:07. Anne Sharp broke up the powerful and smart NMH pack of 3, taking 7th place in 21:30. Courtney Blackwell ran a personal best of 21:51, coming in 9th place. She was followed closely by Captain Hoppy Maffione in 22:02 and Katherine Adams (returning from injury) in 22:09, both of whom held off NMH's 5th runner (Jenn Donais!). Alison Murphy (22:47) and Celia Alexander (23:47) rounded out the varsity team, both returning after injury and illness.

Girls JV Cross Country - 18 NMH - 45

Kendra Allenby, who ran her first race after being out all season with an injury, led the entire way, winning with an outstanding 21:49! Andover dominated the race, with runners in 1st, 2nd, and 4th through 8th places! Debby Kuhn was second with her PB of 22:49. Placing 4th through 8th were: Emma Wood 23:38, Kat Chen 23:42, Skylar Washburn 24:09, Laney Sullivan 24:10, and Suzy Anderson 24:41. All in all, of the 25 runners who finished in the varsity and JV races, 16 ran personal bests!

DATE OF CONTEST: OCTOBER 25, 2003

OPPONENT: DEERFIELD

WHERE PLAYED Deerfield

RESULTS: 23 - 35

10/25/03

Girls Cross Country Blazes Past Deerfield

On a beautiful day to run, the PA girls took on the Green and their 2.75 mile course. With Katie Faulkner and Lissy Robie leading the way for the Blue, Andover scored a 23-35 win.

The order of finish follows: 1 - Katie Faulkner - A, 17:35 2 - Julia Conway - D, 18:19

3 - Lissy Robie - A, 18:30

4 - Laura Ebert - D, 18:57

5 - Katie Morris - A, 19:00

6 - Anne Sharp - A, 19:00

7 - Lou Kinder - D, 19:08

8 - Kendra Allenby - A, 19:10

9 - Courtney Blackwell - A, 19:31

10 - Vanessa Washington - D, 19:57

11 - Hoppy Maffione - A, 20:02

12 - Eleanor Anderson - D, 20:05

DATE OF CONTEST: NOVEMBER 1, 2003

OPPONENT: EXETER

WHERE PLAYED Andover, MA [HOME]

RESULTS: V: 41-18 JV: ~~21-37~~ 37-21

11/1/03

Exeter Flexes Cross Country Muscles

It was a tough day for PA cross country. The team knew Exeter was strong but didn't know just how strong the Red would be. Compounding their woes, Andover had four runners start, but not finish, races today. Exeter dominated on this day winning the varsity race 18 - 41, and the JV race 21 - 37. In the varsity race, Katie Faulkner led for Andover, placing third overall with a time of 19:41 (only one second off her best time). Kendra Allenby ran second for PA, placing 7th overall with a personal best of 21:11. Lissy Robie twisted her ankle and dropped out of the race just after the first mile. Alison Murphy dropped out with back pain in the second mile. The rest of the Andover squad was tired after a tough week of practice and ran decent races. We have a challenge ahead at Interschols, but we're ready to peak next week!

In the JV, Celia Alexander placed second with a a time of 22:58, a season's best after nurturing an IT Band injury all season. Debby Kuhn was second for PA, placing 6th, and Skylar Washburn placed 7th with a personal best of 23:40. Also running personal bests in the JV race were: Mia Kanak, Kendall Massengill, Sarah Waldo, Christina Hung, Maggie Reich, and Julia Littlefield.

DATE OF CONTEST: NOVEMBER 8, 2003

OPPONENT: INTERSCHOLASTICS

WHERE PLAYED Loomis

RESULTS: V: Second Place JV: Second Place

Girls Cross Country Grabs Second Place at Interschols

After a strong regular season, the Andover Girls Cross Country team traveled to Windsor, CT. for the New England Interscholastic Championships on Saturday. The team had a very fine day on the Northwest Park course, capturing second place among all the Division I schools competing. Indeed the team not only earned second place honors in the NEPSA varsity competition, but did so in the JV race as well. Coach Nancy Lang was extremely proud of her team's effort, as "all 14 girls who raced . . . ran well." Katie Faulkner was the top runner for PA on the day, finishing second overall with a time of 18:41. Kendra Allenby and Hoppy Maffione also finished among the top 20 runners. Katherine Adams led the JV squad with a third place finish in 21:54, while Lanie Sullivan (8th) and Skylar Washburn (9th) were close behind. It was an excellent showing for the girls and a tribute to their hard work throughout the fall. "A great finish to our season!" added Coach Lang. More complete results below:

Varsity Teams:

- 1st - Exeter - 33
- 2nd - Andover - 86
- 3rd - Choate - 99
- 4th - Deerfield - 119
- 5th - St. Paul's School - 150

Andover Runners:

- 2 - Katie Faulkner, 18:41
- 16 - Kendra Allenby, 20:17
- 18 - Hoppy Maffione, 20:37
- 24 - Katie Morris, 20:55
- 26 - Courtney Blackwell, 20:57
- 29 - Anne Sharp, 21:09
- 39 - Celia Alexander, 21:29

JV Teams:

- 1st - Exeter - 24
- 2nd - Andover - 47
- 3rd - Choate - 75
- 4th - St. Paul's School - 145
- 5th - Loomis Chaffee - 155

Andover Runners:

- 3 - Katherine Adams, 21:54
- 8 - Lanie Sullivan, 22:10
- 9 - Skylar Washburn, 22:14
- 10 - Hillary Fischer-Groban, 22:19
- 17 - Emma Wood, 22:33
- 22 - Kat Chen, 22:41

SPORT: Field Hockey
YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: Marissa Hudson
HOME TOWN: Gloucester, MA

MANAGER(S): Desmond Bonhomme-Isaiah

HOME TOWN(S) _____

COACH: Kate Dolan

ASSISTANT COACH(S): Martha Fenton

SEASON RECORD

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No.	Name	Yr	Pos	Hometown
1	DIX, KATHERINE	05	F	ANDOVER, MA
2	STECKER, KELLY	05	M	BEVERLY FARMS, MA
4	SENO, LAUREN	05	F	MEQUON, WI
3	MACDONALD, KRISTEN	07	F	BILLERICA, MA
7	CROCKER, NIKKI	05	M	DOVER, MA
8	FILIBERTI, ARIELLE	07	M	WORCESTER, MA
9	HILL, ALYSSA	06	D	PRIDES CROSSING, MA
10	JAMMAL, JEVAN	06	F	ARLINGTON, MA
13	JOHNSON, CAROLYN	04	D	ANDOVER, MA
16	KELLY, WHITNEY	04	D	ANDOVER, MA
14	MORAMARCO, LINDSAY	06	F	ANDOVER, MA
17	MACMILLAN, ASHLEY	04	F	ANDOVER, MA
15	BOYLAN, ANNIE	07	D	ANDOVER, MA
18	PAKRAVAN, NATASHA	04	F	ANDOVER, MA
21	CONLON, KAT	04	F	BOURNE, MA
23	MONTECALVO, MEGAN	06	M	IPSWICH, MA
12	HUDSON, MARISSA*	04	D	GLOUCESTER, MA
99	DEMETRIOU, SAM	05	G	LOWELL, MA
19/33	MOSS, ALESSANDRA	07	G	NEW YORK, NY

- CAPTAIN

Coaches: Kate Dolan, Martha Fenton '83

Manager: Desmond Bonhomme-Isaiah

Athletic Director: Martha Fenton

Trainers: Brian Cox, Kathy Birecki, Mike Kuta

Equipment Manager: Blaine Austin

School Physician: Richard Keller, M.D.

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-10-03

OPPONENT: Governor Dummer

WHERE PLAYED Governor Dummer

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-13-03

OPPONENT: Groton / Windsor / NCD

WHERE PLAYED Away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-17-03

OPPONENT: Milton

WHERE PLAYED Away Milton

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-20-03

OPPONENT: Loomis

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

9/20/03

Field Hockey Dominates But Needs Last Second Goal To Earn Win

Playing at home for the season opener, Andover emerged with a thrilling 2-1 win over visiting Loomis. Andover had the edge in play in the first half but Loomis got on the board first with a nice goal off their only penalty corner midway through the first half. Despite dominating territorially, the Big Blue couldn't get one past the Loomis goaltenders, both of whom played very well as they combined for fifteen saves. In the second half, PA again dominated as the team had ten penalty corners while Loomis had none. Even with the heat and high humidity, the girls in Blue never quit and they just kept applying the pressure to the Loomis defense. With five minutes to play in the game, Kat Dix notched the tying goal with an assist by Lauren Seno. Getting that elusive goal, inspired the Big Blue even further as they defended the center pass and immediately went back on offense. With time winding down, Nikki Crocker took a free hit just outside the circle and her pass went directly to Lauren Seno who fired it into the Loomis goal. Seno's goal came with 8 seconds left to play in the game!!! It was a great win to open the season and the girls worked incredibly hard from beginning to end to earn the victory. Quite simply, the entire team's effort, resiliency and determination were superlative. On Wednesday, the Big Blue will travel to Cambridge to play Harvard's junior varsity at 3:15.

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-24-03

OPPONENT: Harvard

WHERE PLAYED Harvard

RESULTS: _____

9/24/03

Field Hockey Triumphs at Harvard

Playing on Harvard University's Jordan Field, the girls in Blue posted an impressive 5-2 win over the Crimson's junior varsity. Lauren Seno scored three first half goals within a ten minute span to propel PA to a 3-0 lead. Assisting on Seno's second goal was Captain Marissa Hudson and assisting on the third goal was Kat Dix.

Harvard scored a goal on a penalty corner with 50 seconds remaining in the half. Andover dominated play territorially in the first and the team combined on some nice passing plays. In the second half Andover's passing game continued to be well executed. Ten minutes into the half, Megan Montecalvo made a great play in the midfield and then took the ball to goal to score PA's fourth goal of the game. Kat Dix scored the Big Blue's fifth goal with some nice stick work and a hard shot by the Harvard goalie. Harvard scored late in the game to make the final score 5-2. Nikki Crocker, Marissa Hudson and Megan Montecalvo played exceptionally well as they controlled the flow of the game for Andover. The win was Andover's second of the season, and the team will travel to Tabor on Saturday for a 2:30 game.

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DATE OF CONTEST: 9-27-03

OPPONENT: Tabor

WHERE PLAYED Tabor

RESULTS: _____

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9/27/2003

Conlon Nets Hat Trick As Field Hockey Tops Tabor

Playing at Tabor, the girls in Blue rebounded twice from being a goal down to pull out a 3-2 victory. Tabor got on the board first, but PA tied it up on a goal by Kat Conlon with five minutes remaining in the first half. Unfortunately, Tabor answered that with their second goal of the half as they scored just two minutes later. The half-time break gave Andover a chance to regroup and reenergize and the girls played a much stronger second half. Lindsay Moramarco fed a nice cross pass to Kat Conlon just four minutes into the second half to allow PA to tie the score at 2-2. Andover had several more solid scoring opportunities but they couldn't find the back of the net. Meanwhile the Andover defense played very well as they didn't give up a corner in the half, and they only allowed Tabor one shot on goal in the second half. With just under fifteen minutes remaining, Kat Conlon got a breakaway and made the most of the chance as she scored the winning goal, registering a hat trick in the process. Sam Demetriou had a solid game in goal for PA as she stopped Tabor's breakaway attempts, and Marissa Hudson and Kat Dix also had very strong games for the Big Blue. The team is now 3-0 on the young season and the next game is Wednesday at St. Mark's at 3:15.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10 - 01 - 03

OPPONENT: St. Mark's

WHERE PLAYED St. Mark's

RESULTS: _____

10/1/2003

Another Late Goal For Field Hockey Earns 1-1 Tie

Playing in Southborough, the PA girls varsity field hockey team faced a tough, tenacious and talented St Mark's team. Once again the team's resiliency and determination came to the fore as the team eked out a 1-1 tie by scoring the equalizer with under two minutes remaining in the game! It was an evenly played contest but St Mark's took the lead in the first half as they were able to put a rebound past Andover's defense. St Mark's held that 1-0 lead until just under two minutes to play in the game. With the clock winding down, Andover had a free hit just outside the St Mark's circle. Kat Conlon took the hit for the Blue and Natasha Pakravan was able to center the ball to Marissa Hudson who put it past the St. Mark's goalie. Andover's record on the season is now 3-0-1, and the next game is Saturday at 1 o'clock at home.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-04-03

OPPONENT: Choate

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

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10/4/2003

Field Hockey Slogs To Win Over Choate

Playing at home, Andover hosted Choate and came away with a 4-2 win. Despite a steady rain, the girls in Blue got off to a fast start scoring two goals within the first seven minutes of the game.

Natasha Pakravan scored both goals for Andover. Choate then went on to dominate play and had the majority of corners in the first half. Nevertheless, with time running out in the half, PA capitalized on an opportunity, and Marissa Hudson scored to put PA up by a 3-0 score.

Unfortunately, the girls in Blue couldn't sustain the momentum, and Choate took control of the second half. Choate had the majority of corners in the second half, and they worked effectively on offense to score two second half goals and cut the score to 3-2. Kelly Stecker was able to add an insurance goal for PA with 5:30 to go in the game. The Big Blue is now 4-0-1 on the season and the next game is Wednesday at home against BB&N at 3:15.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-08-03

OPPONENT: B.B. & N

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

10/8/2003

Another Thriller For PA Field Hockey

On a picture perfect autumn day, the girls in Blue hosted BB&N, and once again they emerged with a last minute 3-2 comeback victory. Despite dominating play in terms of territory, possession and number of penalty corners, PA couldn't get on the board. Conversely, BB&N was able to convert their offensive opportunities and the Knights had a 2-0 advantage over Andover with under fifteen minutes to go in the game. To their tremendous credit, the team remained calm and confident and Lauren Seno (assist to Kat Conlon) was able to get Andover's first goal of the afternoon with just about fourteen minutes remaining. After a series of Andover corners, Kat Dix put one past the BB&N goalie to tie the score at 2-2 with three and half minutes left. After stopping BB&N's ensuing center pass, the girls in Blue went back on the offensive and Lauren Seno (assisted by Kat Conlon) scored the game winner with two minutes to go in the game! Nikki Crocker, Marissa Hudson, Kat Conlon and Megan Montecalvo had strong two-way games for the Big Blue. Kudos to the entire team for the tenacity, perseverance and resiliency they displayed this afternoon. The team improves to 5-0-1 on the season and the team will host a talented Nobles team on Saturday at 2:30.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10 11-03

OPPONENT: Nobles & Greenough

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

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10/11/2003

Nobles Hands Field Hockey First Loss

Hosting Nobles on a beautiful fall afternoon, the girls in Blue suffered their first defeat of the season as the team came out on the short end of a 2-0 score. The loss marked PA's first regular season loss since the first game of the 2000 season, a 3-5 defeat to Milton. Nobles dominated the game from start to finish and PA just couldn't get things going offensively. Andover's defense played well and the team was only down 1-0 at the half. Unlike previous games, however, the girls in Blue weren't able to stage a second half comeback. In the second half Andover goalie Sam Demetriou made a nice save on a penalty stroke, and she had several key saves throughout the game. Nobles added a late second half goal to make the final score 2-0. The girls in Blue hope to get back to their winning ways on Wednesday when they travel to Brooks for a 2:45 game. The team's record on the season is now 5-1-1.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-15-03

OPPONENT: Brooks

WHERE PLAYED Brooks

RESULTS: _____

10/15/2003

Field Hockey Can Knot Get Past Brooks

Travelling to Brooks, the girls in Blue played to a 2-2 tie. Once again, the team fell behind early allowing Brooks to score within the first five minutes of the game. From that point on, PA dominated the game in terms of possession and territory. However, the team couldn't get one past the talented Brooks goaltender. At the half the PA squad trailed 1-0, but Brooks extended their lead to 2-0 as they scored in the opening five minutes of the second half. At that point, Andover seemed to come alive, and the team scored just one minute after Brooks to bring the tally to 2-1. Nikki Crocker assisted by Kat Conlon got the first PA goal. Three minutes later Kelly Stecker scored the game-tying goal for Andover. Andover controlled the play throughout much of the game as the team had 15 corners to Brooks' four. Marissa Hudson, Megan Montecalvo and Whitney Kelly, who was playing in her first game of the season after missing the first seven due to an injury, played well for the Big Blue. The team is now 5-1-2 on the season, and the next game is Saturday at home at 2 o'clock against NMH.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-18-03

OPPONENT: N M H.

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

10/19/2003

Field Hockey Outshoots Hoggens 4-1

Hosting NMH for their Parents' Weekend game, the girls in Blue got back to their winning ways as they posted a strong 4-1 win. Andover came out strong drawing the first corner of the game and then scoring on their second corner in the third minute of the game. On the corner, Lindsay Moramarco passed the ball out to Marissa Hudson who fired a shot into the NMH goal. NMH got a goal midway through the first period on a deflection off the PA defense to tie the score at 1-1. With five minutes to play in the first half, Lindsay Moramarco scored to put PA up 2-1. In the second half, Kat Conlon netted the third goal off a nice pass from Marissa Hudson on a corner. Four minutes later, Hudson tallied the fourth Andover goal. While Andover had the edge on the scoreboard, NMH had the territorial advantage and out-cornered PA 10 to 6. Sam Demetriou, Kelly Stecker and Whitney Kelly played well for the Andover defense while Kristen MacDonald, Arielle Filiberti and Natasha Pakvaran helped key the offense. Andover's record is now 6-1-2 and the team will host St. Paul's on Wednesday at 2:45.

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DATE OF CONTEST: 10-22-03

OPPONENT: St Paul's

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

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10/22/03

Defense Makes Single Goal Stand Up in Field Hockey Win Over St. Paul's

On an afternoon that felt more like winter than fall, the girls in Blue defeated visiting St. Paul's 1-0. Despite the cold, PA came out strong with some beautiful passing in the offensive half of the field. Unfortunately, St. Paul's defense was equal to the challenge, and they kept Andover off the board until just under six minutes to go in the first half when Natasha Pakravan knocked in a cross ball to give Andover a 1-0 lead. PA just missed getting a second goal on a penalty corner as time was expiring in the half, the ball passing just an inch to the left of the post. In the second half, PA didn't allow St. Paul's a shot on goal, and it was a solid effort from all as the team earned its first shutout of the season. Goalie Sam Demetriou had a strong first half turning aside four St. Paul's shots. Also, playing well for the defense were Jevan Jammal, Alyssa Hill, Carolyn Johnson, Lauren Seno, Whintey Kelly and Kelly Stecker. On the offense, Marissa Hudson, Lindsay Moramarco, Nicki Crocker, Natasha Pakravan and Ashley Macmillan had some great passing sequences. Andover's record on the season is now 7-1-2 with the next game Saturday at Deerfield.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10 - 25 - 03

OPPONENT: Deerfield

WHERE PLAYED Deerfield

RESULTS: _____

10/25/03

Field Hockey Even Up With Deerfield; Edged In Overtime

Travelling to Deerfield, the girls in Blue gave a great effort but came up a bit short losing in overtime 0-1 to the Green. It was a game of two distinct halves - the first half belonged to Deerfield while the second half was all Andover, yet neither team could capitalize on their scoring opportunities. In the first half, Deerfield had 4 corners and 6 shots on goal while in the second half, the Big Blue had 6 corners and 5 shots on goal. Andover's defense was stellar in the first half and goalie Sam Demetriou had an outstanding game for PA. It was an exciting and action packed 60 minutes of field hockey. The game went to overtime because district IV schools of NEPSACFH play overtime so the teams went to 6 v 6 full field for a ten minute sudden victory period. Midway through the overtime, Deerfield had a fast break down the right wing and the ball was eventually crossed and put in the goal to give DA the overtime win. Despite the final outcome, the girls in Blue played hard and gave it their all Andover's record is now 7-2-2 on the season with the next game Wednesday at Middlesex at 2:30.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-29-03

OPPONENT: Middlesex

WHERE PLAYED Middlesex

RESULTS: _____

10/30/03

Field Hockey Takes On Undefeated Middlesex

Making up yesterday's rain out, the girls in Blue hosted rather than visited Middlesex, who is undefeated and atop of the ISL. The game, which had end-to-end action, wound up a 1-1 tie. Middlesex got off to the better start as they had six first half corners and scored midway through the half. After the Middlesex goal, Andover had a few terrific offensive opportunities but the team's chances just missed. Andover came out much stronger and determined in the second half, but the team had a hard time getting any quality shots. Late in the half, PA mounted a good offensive surge that resulted in a penalty stroke, and captain Marissa Hudson made the stroke to tie the game at one all with eight minutes to go in the game. The last eight minutes went back and forth, end to end. Kudos to the Andover defense for rising to the challenge and keeping a very strong Middlesex team from scoring a second goal. Goalie Sam Demetriou had an excellent game in net for Andover. Andover is now 7-2-3 on the season, and the team will host Cushing on Saturday at 3:00.

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DATE OF CONTEST: 11-01-03

OPPONENT: Cushing

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

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Field Hockey Battles Tough Cushing To Scoreless Tie Andover took on a fast and physical Cushing team, and the game resulted in a 0-0 tie. The first half was all Cushing as they had eight penalty corners while PA had none. The second half was a complete reversal as Andover had nine penalty corners while Cushing had none. Unfortunately, for the girls in Blue, they couldn't get a goal from their pressure and opportunities. Sam Demetriou had another excellent game in net for the Big Blue. Andover's record is now 7-2-4 with the penultimate game of the season at home Wednesday at three o'clock against Milton.

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-05-03

OPPONENT: Milton

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

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11/5/03

Blue Battles Milton to 1-1 Field Hockey Tie

Playing with drizzle, fog and general murkiness, the girls in Blue hosted Milton for their last home game of the season, and the teams tied 1-1. Despite the weather, it was an excellent game between two well matched teams. Neither team could score in the first half, but PA had the better chances with a stroke and several penalty corners. Midway through the second half, Kelly Stecker redirected a shot by Kat Conlon off a penalty corner to break the scoreless tie. Andover had another stroke opportunity, but couldn't convert the chance. The play was end-to-end for the last ten minutes, and Milton was able to redirect a free hit with 30 seconds remaining to pull out the 1-1 tie. Andover goalie Sam Dememtriou along with the rest of the Big Blue defense had strong games. Lindsay Moramarco, Nikki Crocker and Marissa Hudson also played well in the midfield for PA. Andover's record on the season is now 7-2-5 with the regular season finale at Exeter on Saturday at noon.

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-08-03

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED Exeter

RESULTS: _____

11/8/03

Blue and Red Play To 1-1 Tie in Field Hockey

The girls in Blue traveled to Exeter for the regular season finale and the teams played to a 1-1 tie. Playing in their last Andover-Exeter game were seniors Ashley Macmillan, Carolyn Johnson, Whitney Kelly, Natasha Pakravan, Kat Conlon and Marissa Hudson. Exeter got on the board first just four minutes into the game as they jumped on a loose ball and the circle and put it past the Andover defense. The action in the rest of the first half was back and forth with each team having good scoring opportunities. Andover had 8 first half corners to Exeter's four. The second half was more of the same as the momentum went back and forth several times. With the clock winding down, Andover capitalized on a free hit opportunity as Marissa Hudson took the hit and Lauren Seno deflected it past the Exeter defense to tie the game at one with 3:34 remaining in regulation. The game ended in a tie so the teams took the field for a 7 v 7 overtime period, which again provided end to end action. In the overtime, Exeter had two breakaways which resulted in corners but the Andover defense rose to the occasion and kept them off the board. Andover also has some great scoring chances in the overtime but the Big Blue couldn't net that elusive winning goal. The girls in Blue finished the season with a 7-2-6 record. The coaches and players want to thank the parents for their tremendous support throughout the season.

DATE OF CONTEST: 11 - 12 - 03

OPPONENT: Tournament

WHERE PLAYED Away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-16-03

OPPONENT: Tournament

WHERE PLAYED Away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-16 03

OPPONENT: Tournament

WHERE PLAYED Away

RESULTS: _____

BERTUCCI'S PLAY OF THE WEEK

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Few teams can pull off what the Girls Field Hockey did last Saturday. Trailing Loomis 1-0 for almost the entire 60 minutes of play, it came back to score two goals in the last five minutes, netting the winning goal with only eight seconds left on the clock.

"We dominated the entire game, but it was frustrating because we couldn't get the ball in the net," said Captain Marissa Hudson '04. "We kept it up, even though they were getting tired. We just out hustled them at the end when their coach had to yell at them to play out the rest of the game. We never complained, and things finally came together in the end."

After struggling to get the ball past the LC goalie for the majority of the game, Kat Dix '05 was finally able to put PA on the board on a pass from Lauren Seno '05.

With the game tied, the Blue went to work to take the lead. With eight seconds left on the clock, Nikki Crocker '05 took a free hit and slapped the ball to Seno. She fired the one-timer through the legs of the Loomis goalie.

"It was really stressful because we were behind the whole time, but the team stayed on the ball and pressured their defense," Crocker recalled. "I got a free hit and took it really quickly, before the other team was ready, and Seno was in the perfect spot. She had some great stick work and she got the goal to give us the win."

Coach Kate Dolan was proud of her team, "In terms of the last five minutes of the game, I would have to say that the team got what they deserved: they played hard and never quit and their efforts were rewarded with two great goals. The team never allowed their frustrations to get the better of them—they just kept playing."

"Every member on the team fought extremely hard," said Dix. "and it was an amazing 60 minutes for our team and gave us all more confidence in each other."

Crocker was pleased with the team's performance, "The win, especially since this was the first game, shows us what we can do as a team. It started out the season really well. The fact that there was a goal scored in the last eight seconds really showed us the importance of playing the full game."



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Nikki Crocker '05 slices past a Loomis opponent. It was Crocker's assist that led to upper Lauren Seno's game-winner.

Field Hockey Beats Harvard

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Seeing its chances of winning dwindle, Harvard capitalized on a penalty with less than a minute on the clock to end the first half PA leading 3-1.

In the second half, the girls were still on top of their game. Megan Montecalvo '06 took the ball from midfield to the net for a goal to increase the Andover victory. Dix raised PA's lead to 5-1, but the game did not end before Harvard scored once more in an attempt to lessen their defeat.

The girls were proud of their win. "Wednesday's game was a lot different because it was on

turf," said Hudson. "We had practiced in the cage on Tuesday for the faster, new surface but when we started the game, we weren't used to the new surface. By the end of it, we had improved a lot. The game was a good chance to have fun work on the skills you don't use on grass."

Crocker said of the two wins and positive start to the season, "I think winning the first two games of the season makes a good impact on the morale of the team. It shows us right from the start that if we play well and we play together, we can really succeed as a team."

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Field Hockey Trumps Loomis



Captain Marissa Hudson '04 blasts the ball towards the net in Wednesday's victory over the Harvard JV team. The Lady Blue finished the week with two big W's: a dramatic win over Loomis Chaffee and a romping of the Crimson JV team.

PA FIELD HOCKEY TAKES TWO WINS IN OPENING WEEK

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	2
Loomis	1
Andover	7
Harvard JV	2

Their brand new bright blue uniforms are not the only reason the Andover Girls Varsity Field Hockey team is standing out on Academy Hill this fall. After beating Loomis Chaffee 2-1 and Harvard's JV 5-2 this past week, the Girls continue to rake in the wins. The girls dominated both in Saturday's heat and on Harvard's fast turf field and are now 2-0, already proving that they are on their way towards a winning season.

Last Saturday, the girls came through with a comeback win to take Loomis by surprise, scoring their only goals in the last five minutes after being down for almost the entire game. Kat Dix '05 was the first to put the Lady Blue on the scoreboard with an assist from Lauren Seno '05. Just minutes later, Seno scored herself, this time on an assist from teammate Nikki Crocker '05. Crocker capitalized on a free hit just outside the circle to find Seno for the game-winner with a mere 8 seconds on the clock.

Captain Marissa Hudson '04 said of the Loomis game, "Saturday's game was a come from behind victory, and we just wanted it more than the other team. It was really hot out and everyone was tired, but we played the whole game and it really showed."

The girls took a unique challenge in their next game, traveling to Cambridge to take on Harvard's JV team. Even though the Lady Blue had to deal with a new surface and the idea of playing a college team, the Harvard team did not stand a chance.

This time, instead of leaving their fans in suspense, the girls went right to work. Seno scored three goals, two on assists from Captain Hudson and one from Dix. The scoring barrage came within a ten-minute time span to catapult Andover into a 3-0 lead.

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Seno '05 Nets Winning Goal With Eight Seconds Left

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Talk about making a big debut. Lauren Seno '05, a first year member of the Girls Varsity Field Hockey team, netted the game winning goal in the Blue's last second victory over the Loomis Chaffee Pelicans. Not bad for someone who did not even pick up a field hockey stick last year.

The real excitement of the game came in the last five minutes. After spending most of the game trailing 1-0, the girls were having trouble converting scoring opportunities into goals. Then, with the ball in front of the goal, Seno dishd to Kat Dix '05 who put the ball into the net, tying the score.

Seno recapped how things worked out, "I had been out for 10 minutes watching because I

had hurt my hand. I got back out there and was determined to make up for the time I had missed."

Seno's performance did not stop there. After helping to tie the game at 1-1, Seno attacked again. This time, a pass from Nikki Crocker '05 gave Seno the chance to fire the ball five hole, right between the goalie's legs to give PA a 2-1 lead with a mere eight seconds left on the clock.

Seno, who played field hockey as a Freshmen at her previous school, came to PA last year as a new Lower. Already talented at ice hockey, she opted for hockey basics last fall to make sure she would be in shape for the upcoming winter season. Only under the advice of her former house counselor Martha Fenton did she even think to try out for the field hockey team this fall.

"Last year Martha came up to me and told me that I should give field hockey a try," Seno said, "I

had to be here early for prefecting anyway, so I went to preseason and ended up getting on the team. It was pretty cool."

Competing with returning field hockey players, Seno was gracious to Coach Kate Dolan for giving her a chance to make the team. "Ms. Dolan really gave me the opportunity to play," she said. "I wasn't as strong as some of the others at preseason, but she let me come into playing my own and

it's been great."

Of course, with her ice hockey background, Seno was already a full step ahead with an understanding of the game and strong stick skills.

Dolan was proud of her rapidly blossoming player, "In her first year playing field hockey at PA, Lauren Seno has shown herself to be an extremely versatile asset," she said. "She can play back, mid-field and forward and no matter

where she is on the field she helps the team."

Seno explained why the team was able to make such a comeback and win the game last Saturday, "One of the great things about our game is that we put in a whole 60 minutes of effort," she said. "The other team tried to run the clock down with their lead instead of playing offensively. That's when we really took advantage and were able to win."



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Kat Dix '05 slaps the ball towards an open teammate in the Lady Blue's victory over Tabor on Saturday.

Field Hockey Slips by Tabor

by Kathryn Uhl
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Tabor	2
Andover	1
St. Mark's	1

The Andover Girls Field Hockey team seems to be making a habit of these late game comebacks. Aside from the extra stress on the players, fans and coaches that these last minute wins have caused, the girls really do not mind, provided the wins keep piling up. The Lady Blue came from behind to beat Tabor last Saturday and continued their season with a last minute tie against St. Marks.

The girls began slowly on Saturday, as Tabor scoring early in the game.

Kat Conlon '04 countered, bringing the score to 1-1. Tabor's offense was too much for the Lady Blue, and they the

Seawolves returned with a second goal to put themselves back in the lead.

Starting off down 2-1 at the half, Conlon led the girls by tying up the score four minutes into the second half off an assist by Lindsay Moramarco '06.

With a mere fifteen minutes remaining, Conlon netted another goal to pull Andover into a 3-2 lead; scoring her third goal of the game and bagging her first hat trick of the season.

In the second half, Andover brought up the pace of play. After a rousing half time pep talk, the girls were prepared to take back the lead.

The defense seemed more focused, only allowing one shot on goalie Sam Demetriou '05. The girls worked to stop Tabor's dangerous breakaway attempts and just focused their energies on reclaiming their lost goals.

Coach Kate Dolan said, "The half-time break gave Andover a change to regroup

and reenergize and the girls played a much stronger second half."

Dolan continued, "In the first half our defense had trouble matching Tabor's offense, but in the second half they stepped up and came back to win."

The leading scorer, Conlon, highlighted the success of the whole team. "We have an amazing ability to play hard the whole game."

Conlon continued to say, "It's through teamwork that we have had our success. Even though I scored three goals, it

was because of the rest of the team. There were some amazing passes that led to my goals, especially those by Marissa and Lindsay. Our team works well together and always hustles the opponents until the end of the game. We just don't give up."

Playing St. Marks, the girls were prepared for a tough game. The girls were evenly matched, and the St. Mark's defense was able to fight off the Andover offense for most of the game. Down 0-1, Conlon took a free hit just outside the circle to Natasha Pakravan '04 who

passed the ball off to captain Marissa Hudson '04. Hudson, working quickly with two minutes left in the game, took a shot on the St. Mark's goalie to tie up the game and continue Andover's undefeated season.

Even though the girls were behind, they were confident.

As Captain Hudson remarked, "We were off to a shaky start at first, but in the second half we came back. We've come back from losing in the past, so we knew we could do it and we just kept putting the pressure on."

Field Hockey Beats BB&N And Choate to Remain Undefeated

by Alison Murphy

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	4
Choate	2
Andover	3
BB&N	2

It's just another tally in the win column for the Andover Girls Field Hockey team. The girls, who played both Choate and BB&N this week, brought in two more victories to improve their season record to an undefeated 5-0-1.

Saturday, the girls got off to a fast start and declared their dominance early. Natasha Pakravan '04 helped to get things rolling for the Lady Blue by scoring two goals in the first seven minutes. In an effort to lessen Andover's lead, the Wild Boars countered with an aggressive offense and controlled the game for most of the first half. However, the Andover defense was able to fend off all of Choate's shots to keep the score with Andover ahead a comfortable 2-0. Just before the clock ran out, Captain Marissa Hudson '04 sent a shot into the back of the net to bring the first half score to 3-0.

In the second half, the girls struggled to keep up their momentum. Choate, eager to make a comeback, scored two goals bringing the score to 3-2, raising the adrenaline of both the coach and players. As the second half wound to a close, both teams were desperately competing for the win. The girls in blue came through, however, and newly recovered Kelly Stecker '05 scored an insurance goal to make the final score to 4-2 Andover.

Lauren Seno '05 said of the game, "It was one of the first games that we've been in the lead from the start. Because we were ahead, we weren't really thinking defensively, and we just sat on



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Midfielder Kelly Stecker '05 races ahead of her Choate competition, streaking into the Wild Boar territory.

our lead. We lost a bit of our focus and let them come back. That gave us a little scare, so when Kelly scored the fourth goal to bring us more into the lead, we had learned from our mistakes and worked to stay ahead."

Wednesday, the girls hosted the BB&N Knights, ending the game with a comeback shooting-spree to continue their season undefeated. After fifteen minutes into the first half, the Knights were already leading the game 2-0.

In the second half, the Lady Blue maintained their focus despite their trailing score, and with less than fourteen minutes left on the game clock, they start-

ed to make their moves. Seno put Andover on the scoreboard off an assist by Kat Conlon '04. Now, down by only one goal, the Lady Blue capitalized on a string of Andover corners, and Kat Dix '05 tied the game with less than four minutes left to play. As the game got tense, the two teams competed for the win. With two minutes left, Seno scored again off another Conlon assist to bring the score to 3-2 and secure another Andover win.

Coach Kate Dolan was proud of the way the girls never lost hope in their game, saying, "Kudos to the entire team for the tenacity, perseverance and resiliency they displayed this afternoon."

THE BREAKDOWN: FIELD HOCKEY

Blue Field Hockey Locks Sticks With Noble & Greenough

BY JON HILLMAN

"This is a monumental game for us. As seen in the past, we have proven to perform best under pressure. Nobles doesn't stand a chance."

- Captain Marissa Hudson '04



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Andover Offense

Nobles tends to overload one side of the field, so mid-fielders Nikki Crocker '05 and Kelly Stecker '05 will be crucial in moving the ball to open space in hopes of catching the Bulldogs off guard. This movement will be especially important during a change of possession, where Andover will look to create opportunities for forwards Kat Conlon '04, Lauren Seno '05, and Natasha Pakravan '04. Andover will look to exploit Nobles' goalie dilemma by putting as much pressure as possible on the Nobles' goal.

Andover Defense

Captain Marissa Hudson '04 has her work cut out for her against such a formidable senior offense. Andover's defense will have to stay focused to make quick decisions since Nobles has been known to take their free hits quickly. Even if the Andover girls find themselves up, they will have to avoid getting comfortable.

Noble & Greenough

While Nobles has a student body of only 547 students, slightly more than half of Andover's 1,079, its field hockey team is no small talent. This fall, Nobles returned 8 starters and boasts 9 senior players, giving them tremendous experience, especially offensively. Coach Dolan described Nobles as characteristically "fast and fit" and always a challenge since they can quickly generate points to turn a game around. In their first six games, the Bulldogs scored 21 goals and let in 7, revealing not a huge defensive weakness, but rather some of the same issues that Andover is working through. Lacking experience in goal, Nobles has been experimenting with two goalies, Emma Tall and Rory Kelly. Nobles' forwards Jenna Gomez and Kate Gormley are frequent scorers and will be instrumental in Nobles' offensive attack.

The Final Word

In the end, however, as Coach Dolan put it, "During different games, different [Andover] players have shined," and Andover's success is mainly a question of whether an Andover will take control on Saturday.

GAME TIME - 2:30 PHELPS PARK

The Faces of Andover Field Hockey



**Lauren
Seno '05
Forward**

Arriving on the scene in a flash in 2003, Seno has injected a shot into the Blue offense. As Captain Marissa Hudson said of her new teammate, "Being one of the newer players on the

team, Seno has pulled through and stepped it up. She has really proved that she deserves a spot on the starting lineup." The Lady Blue will look for Seno to anchor their offensive attack on Nobles.



**Kelly
Stecker '05
Midfielder**

After rehabbing an early season injury, Stecker returned to the lineup this past Saturday. Playing her first game of the season, Stecker appeared fresh as ever and was able to score the final goal in

Andover's 4-2 win over Choate. A varsity player since her junior year, Stecker is "fast, fit, and solid in transition" said Coach Dolan. Stecker possesses a natural combination of offensive finesse and defensive toughness.



**Kat
Conlon '04
Forward**

With such quickness and big-play ability, Conlon is "totally capable of taking control [of a game]," said Coach Kate Dolan. Conlon did just that during Andover's game

against Tabor, scoring three goals en route to a close Andover victory. Conlon's natural quickness allows her to start breakaways and open up scoring opportunities.

A "dynamic player with great speed," as Coach Dolan said, Conlon is an big game player.



**Marissa
Hudson '04
Defense**

A dominant defensive talent, Captain Hudson leads the team when she takes the field. Searching for the right words to describe Hudson, Coach Kate Dolan said, "I can't say enough about

Marissa. She's a true leader who has invested her time and made herself the athlete that she is." Teammates are similarly speechless when asked about Hudson, unable to really articulate her influence on the team and unwilling to offer a cliché to sum her up. With her absolute focus and hard play, Hudson "inspires [the team] and sets the standard for all of us to look up to," said mid-fielder Kelly Stecker '05.

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Co-captain Kinnon McCall '04 fights off a St. Paul's defender in the Girls Soccer team's Wednesday win. See page 12 for coverage.

Peabody Lecture Held Tuesday

A research historian presented a lecture Tuesday at the Peabody Museum on the material life of 19th Century African-Americans and Native Americans. **p. 6**

Boys Soccer Defeats Bridgton

Led by Steve Russell '04, the Boys Soccer team beat Bridgton Academy on Saturday by a score of 2-0. **p. 12**

FH Drops First Game Since 2000

The Lady Blue Field Hockey team fell to Nobles and Greenough 0-2 on Saturday – PA's first regular season loss in three years. **p. 9**

Green '05 Reveals How to Chill

Anthony Green '05 explains how to deal with stress with unconventional methods, such as releasing anger instead of containing it. **p. 7**

Hill '05 On Pledge of Allegiance

While recent lawsuits claim that the Pledge of Allegiance is unconstitutional, Tyler Hill '05 feels that the Pledge is an important part of American's lives. **p. 2**

Editorial: Committed Partnerships

While PA celebrated National Coming Out Day last weekend, we should appreciate the choices made by the school to foster an environment where diversity is cherished. **p. 2**

Independent Projects Profiled

Four Seniors look to undertake artistic IP's this year, including those related to music, art and architecture. **p. 5**

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Kat Conlon '04 sprints upfield with the ball, looking for an open teammate to pass to, in Field Hockey's loss to Nobles.

Field Hockey Loses First Game

by Alison Murphy

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Nobles	2
Andover	0
Andover	2
Brooks	2

Someone once said you cannot win them all. Well, the Andover Girls Field Hockey team was well on its way to proving that wrong when they hit a speed bump. The Lady Blue lost for the first time in 2003. In fact, the loss was their first regular season loss since 2000. However, proving that they

are a team of warriors, the Lady Blue battled back to earn a tie on Wednesday.

The Girls suffered a 2-0 loss to Nobles last Saturday before traveling to Brooks Wednesday to return with a 2-2 tie. The girls, who are now 5-1-2 on the season, are set for a win tomorrow against Northfield Mount Hermon Hoggars this Parents' Weekend.

Last Saturday, playing against Nobles, the Lady Blue had trouble controlling the ball. Nobles took over the game from the whistle and the PA offense just could not keep up. The defense kept the game to 1-0 at the half, but the second half was no typical comeback victory for the girls.

Late into the second half, the Nobles offense secured the victory by getting one more shot past the

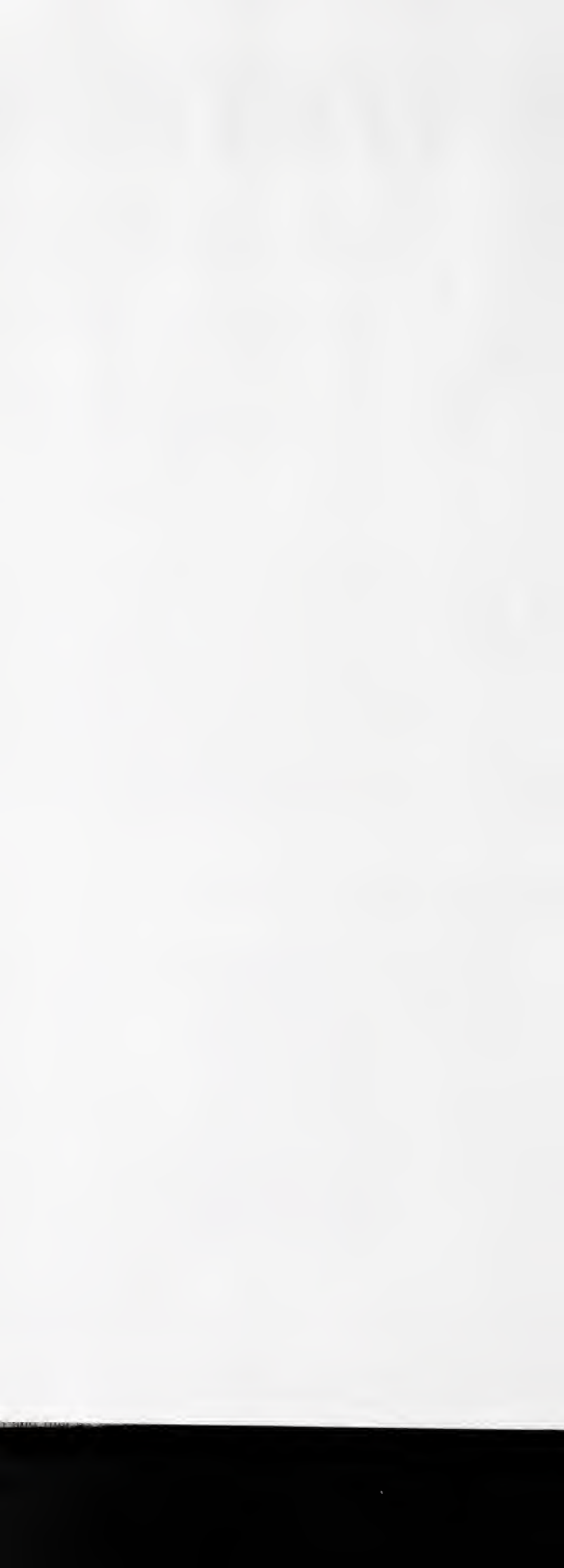
Lady Blue's goalie, Sam Demetriou '05.

Despite the loss, Coach Kate Dolan was especially proud of Demetriou's game, saying, "Sam Demetriou made a nice save on a penalty stroke and she had several key saves throughout the game."

Traveling to Brooks last Wednesday, the girls had trouble making up for their previous loss. Within the first five minutes, the lady Blue allowed Brooks to establish an early 0-1 lead. Remembering their previous defeat, the girls kicked up their play and started to really control the field. A very talented Brooks goalie, however, was the one thing that stood between the Andover Girls Field Hockey team and the win they wanted, and the half ended 0-1.

In the second half, the Girls in Blue got off to a slower start than their Brooks rivals. Brooks netted yet another goal in the opening of the second half. With the score 2-0, not in Andover's favor, the girls took their game up a notch. Nikki Crocker '05, with an assist from Kat Conlon '04 brought the Lady Blue within one. Just three minutes later, the Lady Blue continued their shooting spree and Kelly Stecker '05 scored to tie, bringing the score to 2-2.

Stecker explained the game and her game-tying goal, "We had a pretty flat first half, but we picked up the intensity in the second and dominated the ball possession. We had a lot more shots than they did, especially in the second half. Someone crossed the ball, so I just tapped it into the goal."



THE BREAKDOWN: FIELD HOCKEY

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover Offense:

Led by Kat Conlon '04, PA offense is as strong as ever. Despite the high turnover this year, new additions to the team have surprised players and fans alike. Lauren Seno '05 has had an amazing first season playing for PA. Seno explained their offensive strategy, "Our offense is definitely the strongest part of our game. When we don't get the ball to our offense, we lose. When we need a goal, the offense is usually pretty good at getting one—and that's why so many of our wins have been comeback wins."

Andover Defense:

With Captain Marissa Hudson '04 anchoring the Andover defense, the squad is a force to be reckoned. Backed by returning players Whitney Kelly '04 and Carolyn Johnson '04 the defensive line has kept the opposing teams' score low. Backed by goalie Sam Demetriou '05, the girls have been able to dominate both sides of the field. Captain Hudson explained, "Most of the defense is made up of returning players, so we have a really strong core. We do a really good job of feeding the ball up to the forwards and letting our offense take over."

Northfield Mount Hermon:

With a surprisingly low 1-8 record for the year and a 3-8-1 record for last fall, NMH is in the midst of a rebuilding year, and its offense does not pose a formidable threat to PA. With a strong pack of returning defensive players, the NMH defensive line looks like its strongest element and should provide Andover with a challenge. Their goalie boasted an 88% record for saves against PEA and 90% saves against Deerfield. Stecker explained, "NMH will be a good game to improve our stick control and to get better at moving the ball past their players. We can work on that and hopefully we can get around them to score."

Nikki Crocker '05 - Forward



Playing on the Andover Girls Field Hockey team since her junior year at Andover, midfielder Nikki Crocker '05 brings field hockey talent and knowledge to both the offense and the defense. Coach Dolan said of her player, "Nikki is really versatile. She can play forward, midfield and back, so that really helps our team." Stecker said of her teammate, "We've been on the team together for three years, and I've really enjoyed playing with Nikki. She goes after every ball with one hundred percent effort, and she's really fast on land when she needs to be. She has some amazing stick skills that really help our team."

Sam Demetriou '05 - Goalie



Demetriou, a varsity newcomer, is already making her mark on the field. Coach Dolan said, "I think Sam's made a great progression during her time here. She started out on JV2, she played JV1 last year, and now she's playing for us. She's willing to work hard and she's improved a lot because of it." Seno agreed with her coach, commenting on Demetriou she said, "Last year's goalie was really good. Sam had some really big shoes to fill, but she's done a great job this year. She stops most of the shots taken at her, and she works extremely hard."

PA Field Hockey Blanks SPS

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

After suffering their only regular season loss since the first game of the 2000 season, PA came back with two definitive victories this past week. Last Saturday, the girls downed NMH 4-1 and continued their streak by beating SPS 1-0 on Wednesday. The teams' record improved to 7-1-2 on the season.

On Saturday, the girls were eager to get back onto the field and avenge their previous loss.

Just three minutes into the game with NMH, Lindsay Moramarco '06 took a corner and passed the ball to Captain Marissa Hudson '04, who fired the ball by the NMH goalie.

The Lady Hoggies tied up the score at 1-1, but Moramarco came to the rescue again, scoring with five minutes left in the first half to end the half at 2-1.

In the second half, the girls worked hard to increase their one goal lead. Kat Conlon '04 scored off an assist by Hudson to bring the score to 3-1. Before NMH had any chance to retaliate, Hudson scored again to bring the final score to 4-1.

Starting goal Sam Demetriou '05 had a good game in net, and Kelly Stecker '05 and Whitney Kelly '04 both anchored the Lady Blue defense.

Conlon explained the extra success of their victory, "It was the first time we scored four goals in one game. We had been scoring a lot of goals, but we wanted to beat a team by more than three."

Conlon continued, "All of our games have been really close, and

we've really been focusing in practice to improve that. Ms. Dolan has been on our case about scoring more goals and putting the teams behind us instead of having these really suspenseful games, and Saturday's game was a chance for us to do just that."

Playing St. Paul's on Wednesday, the girls were ready for another battle. Facing a tough defense, the girls had trouble getting onto the scoreboard, and the half was scoreless until Natasha Pakravan '04 netted a goal with just six minutes left on the clock to end the first half at 1-0.

Helping to keep Andover's lead, Demetriou blocked four key St. Paul's shots during the half.

In the second half, the girls increased their focus and intensity, especially on the defense. They focused on passing and keeping possession of the ball, especially on St. Paul's side of the field. They did not allow the Pelicans a single shot on goal, which helped to earn the Lady Blue their first shut-out victory of the season.

"On Wednesday we had possession of the ball a lot," Stecker said. There were a few times when we had trouble getting it out of our end, but we were betting crossing than we had been in the past, even though we didn't score as much as we usually do."



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Nikki Crocker '05 passes the ball up the field en route to the Blue's 4-1 Parents' Weekend victory.

Big Green Downs Andover, 1-0; Captain Hudson '04 Solid in Loss

by Megan Evans
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Deerfield	1
Andover	0

Coming off last week's defensive domination against St. Paul's, the Lady Blue defense was once-again in full force, yet unable to come up with the victory on Saturday.

Both teams were scoreless until Deerfield struck in overtime, downing PA 1-0.

Wednesday's scheduled away game versus Middlesex was rained out, nixing Andover's chance to return to its regular winning ways. The team's record now stands at 7-2-2 on the season.

The team entered Saturday's game aware that they were facing a difficult opponent. Andover's defense held strong, even while under heavy Deerfield pressure, anchored by Megan Montecalvo '06, Jevan Jammal '06 and Carolyn Johnson '04. Goalie Sam

Demetriou '05 was outstanding, blocking 6 shots on goal in the first half alone. However, after the first 30 minutes the game was clearly in Deerfield's favor.

As Captain Marissa Hudson '04 put it, "We didn't play to win in the first half."

Demetriou spoke on the continual pressure, "We got intimidated and began playing back on our heels. We played defense the entire first half, but in the second half we came out thinking we would score and were much stronger."

The second half was truly a turn-around. Andover took the field with assurance and fired 5 shots on goal. However, they were not able to capitalize on their opportunities, forcing the Lady Blue into overtime. The necessary six on six sudden death thwarted Andover's momentum, as the girls were unaccustomed to playing with so few players. Deerfield scored on a cross from the right wing. The Lady Blue

were left on the losing end of a hard fought battle.

The girls were disappointed, but are still confident entering the final games of the regular season.

Demetriou explained the teams potential, "We are fundamentally a great team. If we play aggressively we can win. We can make something happen if we want to."

Looking forward to the post season the girls are certainly eager to make something happen.

As Captain Hudson said, "We've had a very successful season up to date because we put in 100 percent effort this entire fall. We've been banking on our ability to come together as a young squad, and we continue to improve as time passes. I think everyone is really excited about the possibility of getting into the postseason tournament. We've worked really hard and it would be the perfect exclamation point on the season."

Field Hockey Faces Exies

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

If the Andover Girls Field Hockey team is on top of its game tomorrow, it is going to be one of the closest games of the season. Coming into Andover/Exeter, the two teams match up very well. The Lady Blue Field Hockey team arrives at Exeter with a 7-2-4 record facing a 9-1-2 Exeter team. The two teams are even more equal than their records would suggest; both teams' losses have come from close, suspenseful games. After last year's 0-0 tie, both teams are ready to leave with a clear victory, but this season's records do not dictate an easy win for either team.

Coach Kate Dolan explained the two teams and the chemistry on the field. "They only have one loss. They're the best team the school has had in at least ten years, but in a game like this season records don't matter. For this game, the most aggressive but relaxed team will win. Last year we came into the game with a 12-0-1 record and they were below .500, but we got nervous and tied the game. With so much emotion attached to this game, it's really all about who can focus will all the distractions."

The teams are very well matched. Both teams fared similarly against the same opponents; their seasons look almost identical, and each team struggled to beat the

same opponents. Both teams had 1-0 wins against St. Paul's, but Andover clearly defeated NMH 4-1 while the Exeter girls worked hard to win 2-1 in overtime. Both teams struggled with close games against Tabor. The Lady Blue won 3-2 while PEA won 1-0. Both teams played Harvard JV, with PA players coming home with a 5-2 win and their Exeter rivals winning 4-0.

PEA's one loss went to Governor Dummer, but the Lady Blue lost to them too in an early season scrimmage match. Coming off very similar seasons, the two teams are literally neck-and-neck.

Star midfielder Kelly Stecker '05 said, "They've beat some of the same teams by a lot more than we have, but I still think we have a good chance to beat them. It's all about who wants it more, and we really want to take the win this year."

The Lady Blue need to take an early lead in this game. They need to establish control of the ball before their Exeter rivals have the chance to score. With the excitement of Andover/Exeter and the added support of fans, the noon game should attract a lot of excitement. If the Lady Blue lose this game, it will be the end of their season. If they take the win, it will allow them the possibility of earning a playoff berth.



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Kat Conlon '04 laces a shot on goal in Wednesday's game against the Milton Tigers. The girls took a 1-0 lead early in the second half on a goal by Kelly Stecker '05, assisted by Conlon. However, the Lady Blue could not hold on for the win, as Milton rallied for the tying goal late in the game.

Blue Field Hockey Ties Two

by Alison Murphy

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	0
Cushing	0
Andover	1
Milton	1

Nothing is more frustrating than a string of ties, and the Andover Girls Varsity Field Hockey team was once again one goal too short for a win on both Saturday and Wednesday. The girls played a scoreless game against Cushing on Saturday before tying Milton 1-1 last Wednesday. Without a definite win in either of the games this past week, the Andover Girls Varsity Field Hockey team is ready for a win against their rivals Exeter tomorrow.

Hosting Cushing last Saturday, the girls were unable to get control of the ball in the first half. Cushing dominated the game and left the Lady Blue few chances to score. Cushing had eight penalty corners to work off of, while the Lady Blue

had none. However, Andover defense kept the score at 0-0 and prevented Cushing from gaining a lead.

In the second half, the girls stepped things up and took control of the field. This time, they had the advantage with nine penalty corners while Cushing had none. The offense, however, was unable to convert their advantage into a lead, and despite their control of the field, the game ended at an inconclusive 0-0 stalemate.

As the girls started their final home game of the season against Milton with a record of 7-2-4, they hoped to secure another win to better their season record. However, the two equally matched teams kept fans in suspense until the end, but no team was able to secure a victory.

Facing Milton at home last Wednesday, the girls struggled to get control of the ball in the first half. A powerful and focused PA team showed an obvious advantage with a stroke and several penalty corners but

had trouble converting their advantage into a lead. Both teams were unable to score before the whistle signaled the end of the first half.

In the second half, Kelly Stecker '05 redirected a shot by Kat Conlon '04 to put Andover on the board. Andover led the game for the most of the half until Milton scored to secure a 1-1 tie with only thirty seconds left on the clock.

Sam Demetriou '05 had two good games in goal, and PA defense was strong throughout the week in helping to keep the opponents score low. Lindsay

Moramarco '06, Nikki Crocker '05, and Captain Marissa Hudson '04 helped dominate the midfield and control the tempo against Milton.

Playing Milton, the Lady Blue was happier with its performance than some of the previous games. Despite the tie, the Big Blue clearly dominated the game. Lauren Seno '05 explained, "We had a lot of enthusiasm on the bench. We got things going, but they just got one by us in the end. It was definitely better than our last games, and we're hoping to draw from that playing Exeter."

The girls are now 7-2-5 on the season and are ready to challenge the Big Red tomorrow at noon. The game is especially important, as the girls hope to participate in post-season tournaments. Seno explained, "This week has been really important in terms of our playoff status. It's good that we haven't lost any games, but it would have been nice to win a few. Going into the weekend, we're still in playoff status, but it comes down to the Exeter games. That's necessarily a bad thing, but it's going to make things more exciting."

JON HILLMAN

Why Andover Field Hockey Won't Be in the Playoffs

Despite finishing the regular season with a 7-2-6 overall record, the Andover Girls' Field Hockey team will not be competing in this year's NEPSAC championship tournament. The tournament committee's decision came as a surprise this past week, shocking Andover athletes and raising questions about the fairness of the current tournament selection system.

Andover's absence from this year's tournament is the result of a number of things. The New England Preparatory School Athletic Council, NEPSAC, is divided into four Districts. Andover belongs to District III, along with other eastern Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and southern New Hampshire prep schools, and is classified as a Class A school, a distinction that is based on student-body size.

Playing primarily Class A and B schools, Andover Field Hockey is challenged by larger and, consequently, stronger schools throughout the season.

However, the Saylor Point System Formula, the current tournament selection process, does not take into account Andover's relatively challenging schedule against non-district opponents. In the Saylor Point System, a win is only win, whether it comes against a Class A opponent or a smaller Class D opponent, if the team is in your district.

Andover has, for example, played four games against non-District III schools and none of those contests were factored in to Andover's Saylor Point Average. Factoring in these four games, three wins and one loss, would have secured Andover a bid in the year-end championship tournament.

The final thorn in Andover's side was their record of six ties. Despite yielding to a common governing body (NEPSAC), District III and District IV schools have different rules when a game finishes as a stale-

mate.

Under District IV rules, a playoff period of ten minutes, with seven players on each side, serves as a sudden-death (first team to score) tie-breaker. If neither team scores during the ten minutes, the game is declared a tie. This ten-minute overtime, used throughout the country in other high schools as well as in the NCAA, has never been a District III rule.

The Independent School League (ISL), a group of District III schools that Andover regularly competes with, has, in past years, not supported this overtime concept, causing this delay in District III rule change by arguing that the ten-minute playoff affects the JV game.

NEPSAC Field Hockey Treasurer and Tournament Coordinator Louisa Jones, of Pomfret School, said, "Teams have been playing seven aside since ten years ago...the ISL has really slowed down District III."

This fall, District IV had 18 total tie games compared with District III's 64 tie games, a fact that the Division III Field Hockey committee was well aware of. In a long overdue change, the committee voted last Monday to implement the ten-minute playoff rule in next year's games, thus updating Division III's status with the rest of the field.

In their final game in the month of October, the Lady Blue played Middlesex, which, at that point in the season was undefeated on top of the ISL standings. Thanks to a bit of last minute heroics from Andover Captain Marissa Hudson '04, the Lady Blue tied up the game 1-1. Without an overtime (ISL rules) the game ended tied.

So, although Andover proved itself to be just as talented as Middlesex, the top seeded District III, Class A team in the NEPSAC tournament, Andover will not be competing the tournament for the first time since 1998.

While Andover was unable to earn one of the coveted eight tournament bids, Convent of the Sacred Heart's field hockey team

will be present despite having a comparatively easier schedule against many Class B and Class C schools.

"No one really understands," said Head Coach Kate Dolan of the system and Andover's bad luck.

Unfortunately, the Saylor System's weaknesses have affected other teams as well. Williston Northampton School, a Class B competitor, is seeded a surprising fifth despite having an overall record of 10-5. The Saylor system's inability to factor in certain games dropped Williston's place in the tournament. What about Governor Dummer Academy, who has to play Williston? Doesn't GDA deserve any easier first-round opponent after their hard play in 2003 rather than the poorly ranked but very skilled Williston Tigers?

Worse, perhaps, than they issues with the playoffs, the Saylor Point System Formula may also be lowering the quality of play among certain NEPSAC schools. To increase their chance of making the NEPSAC tournament, schools can drop non-district opponents and increase their number of games against lower athletic class schools in their district.

Jones, also Pomfret's Field Hockey Coach, admitted, "As a Coach, I've dropped games with Tabor, since their not in our district," but added that Pomfret "play[s] KUA (Kimball Union Academy) just for the competition."

Andover Field Hockey Coaches Dolan and Martha Fenton '83 should be commended for their refusal to manipulate Andover's schedule in order to secure a post-season tournament bid. Their decision to keep high-quality games against Class A non-district teams is a reflection of their commitment to challenge the girls whom they coach regardless of the Saylor System and playoff ramifications.

A tournament is only the best way to decide an undisputed league champion if all the teams that have earned a bid are invited.



Field Hockey Ties Exeter To End Season



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Kelly Stecker '05 and Kat Conlon '04 converge on their Exeter opponent during their game on the frozen tundra of New Hampshire.

Last Minute Seno '05 Goal Ties Game For Blue Versus Exeter

by Alison Murphy

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	1
Exeter	1

Once more, the Andover Girls Field Hockey team came up just short of a win. The Lady Blue tied Exeter 1-1 last Saturday in the last game of the regular season, bringing their season record to an inconclusive and somewhat disheartening 7-2-6.

Coach Dolan said, "In a lot of ways I think the Exeter game was pretty much our season. We were behind, and we kept it together to come back with three minutes left to tie it. It was exciting, and it was fun. The girls had a great time—but it ended up a tie. We were behind in a lot of games this year, and this game had that same suspense."

Saturday's game began with Exeter quickly securing a 1-0 lead only four minutes into the game.

The half continued with the Lady Blue and Red fighting for scoring opportunities, but neither team was able to score again. Working to regain control of the score, Andover dominated the field in the first half.

PA had eight corners while Exeter had only four. Their advantage on the field, however, never converted to a scored goal.

In the second half, control of the field continued to bounce back and forth between the two

Phillips rivals and Andover was unable to make a sufficient comeback. With less than four minutes left in the half, things were looking bleak for the Lady Blue.

The game took a turn for the better, however, when Andover was awarded a free hit. Captain Marissa Hudson '04 took the hit and passed the ball to Lauren Seno '05. Seno got it past the Exeter goalie and tied the game at 1-1.

At the end of regulation, the tied game went into a seven-on-seven overtime. Exeter controlled the field and had two breakaways. The Andover defense cleared them to the side and gave Exeter two separate corners. Neither team could get that last goal, so the game ended at an inconclusive 1-1 tie.

Hudson explained their comeback, "Saturday's game was definitely a good game. We came back to tie the score after being behind the whole game. We kept our composure and concentration even though all the Exeter fans were there cheering down on us. We just kept trying and trying and we were able to tie it up."

Playing their last game for Andover were seniors Hudson, Ashley MacMillan '04, Carolyn Johnson '04, Whitney Kelly '04, Natasha Pakravan '04 and Kat Conlon '04.

Kelly Stecker '05 said of the game and her teammates, "Everyone put in really good effort against Exeter, but it didn't come through as a win. The

seniors especially helped keep the energy up, and I only hope that the class of '05 can lead as well as '04 did."

Dolan praised the girls for a season of hard work, saying, "I loved how resilient they were. 'Not once from beginning to end did we ever have our complete starting line up.'"

She continued, "We had a new goalie and a girl starting who had never played field hockey. With that, we only lost two games, and one was in overtime. That's just testament to how hard these girls worked this season. Marissa was a great captain too."

Hudson considers the success, saying, "Even though we ended our season with a lot of ties, our record really doesn't represent our season that well. We didn't have a lot of returning players. Our team was based on a lot of new talent. It's really sad that that was my last game and my last season playing for Andover, but it was a great way to end."

SPORT: Football

YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: Connor Hosley ; Tyler Simms

HOME ADDRESS:

• Lake Forest, Ill.
• Bourne, MA

MANAGER (S): Akosua Miller ; Thameka Thompson

HOME ADDRESS:

• Detroit, MI
• Morristown, NJ

COACH: Leon Modeste

ASSISTANT COACHES:

Lou Bernieri (Asst. Head Coach)
Steve Carter, Chris Leckerling, Chip Dunn
Shane Waldron ; Dick Collins (Special asst.)

SEASON RECORD

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SQUAD STATISTICS

Name & Home Address	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
Tolu Wusu Palo Alto, CA	6'2	175	'04	WR/SS
Bryce Loidolt Laguna Beach, CA	6'2	185	'04	WR
Tyler Simms Bourne, MA	6'2	188	'04	WR/DB
Michael Eruzione Winthrop, MA	5'10	165	'04	RB/SS
Alexander Dent Brooklyn, NY	5'8	180	'04	RB
Bobby Spang Wakefield, MA	5'9	157	'05	WR/DB
Winston Shaw Bronx, MA	5'11	165	'05	WR/DB
Evan Platt Austin, TX	5'11	195	'05	LB/RB
Joey Lokitis Norton, MA	5'11	171	'06	QB/LS
Steve Sherill NY, NY	6'0	160	'05	QB/DB
James Paulino Andover, MA	5'10	180	'05	K
Jonathon Dent Denville, NJ	6'0	180	'05	WR
Paul Tassinari Andover, MA	6'4	180	'04	WR/FS
Nick Stamas Andover, MA	6'1	170	'04	QB/DB
Cotton Harrold Chicago, IL	6'4	205	'04	TE
Hobie Boeschstein Marblehead, MA	5'10	175	'04	K/GR
Stephen Drahun Andover, MA	5'9	165	'04	WR/LB

SQUAD STATISTICS

Name & Home Address	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
Derrick Kwon Saratoga, CA	5'10	175	'04	RB/LB
Tom Tecca Bolton, CT	5'4	125	'04	WR/CB
Conner Hosely Lake Forest, IL	6'2	215	'04	FB/LB
Matt Wurd Boxford, MA	5'9	175	'06	RB/SS
Alex Bongiorno Hampton, MA	5'10	225	'04	OT/DE
Patrick Hollins Overland Park, KS	6'2	200	'04	OG/NG
Jordan Nottke Sumatra, Indonesia	6'5	230	'05	OT/DT
Ben Hansen Falmouth, ME	5'11	180	'04	G
John Sternberg Lake Forest, IL	5'8	282	'04	C/LB
Stephen Desimore Narragansett, RI	6'0	250	'04	C/T
Dave Giller Swampscott, MA	6'2	205	'06	L
Edwin Velez Staten Island, NY	6'1	220	'04	OL/LB
Wally Haydock Locust Valley, NY	5'10	220	'04	OG/DT
Uzoma Ikeagwaro Upper Meriarc, MD	5'10	195	'04	OT/DE
William Beragi Upper Saddle, NJ	5'9	245	'04	DT
Stephen Severo Westford, MA	6'3	200	'05	TE
Kenneth Igboke Bronx, NY	6'0	185	'05	L

There are 3 more people, but there aren't any more space, so just see the roster sheet enclosed

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Andover, Massachusetts
Football – Varsity
2003

<u>No</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pos</u>	<u>Yr</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Home Town</u>
1	Wusu, Tolu	WR/SS	2004	175	6'2	Palo Alto, CA
2	Loidolt, Bryce	WR	2004	185	6'2	Laguna Beach, CA
3	Simms, Tyler	WR/DB	2004	188	6'2	Bourne, MA
4	Eruzione, Michael	RB/SS	2004	165	5'10	Winthrop, MA
6	Dent, Alexander	RB	2004	180	5'8	Brooklyn, NY
7	Spang, Bobby	WR/DB	2005	157	5'9	Wakefield, MA
9	Shaw, Winston	WR/DB	2005	165	5'11	Bronx, NY
10	Platt, Evan	LB/RB	2005	195	5'11	Austin, TX
11	Lokitis, Joey	QB/LS	2006	171	5'11	Norton, MA
19	Sherrill, Steve	QB/DB	2005	160	6'0	NY, NY
20	Paolino, James	K	2005	180	5'10	Andover, MA
21	Dent, Jonathan	WR	2005	180	6'0	Denville, NJ
22	Tassinari, Paul	WR/FS	2004	180	6'4	Andover, MA
23	Stamas, Nick	QB/DB	2004	170	6'1	Andover, MA
24	Harrold, Cotton	TE	2004	205	6'4	Chicago, IL
31	Boeschenstein, Hobie	K/QB	2004	165	5'10	Marblehead, MA
33	Draheim, Stephen	WR/LB	2004	165	5'9	Andover, MA
35	Kuan, Derrick	RB/LB	2004	175	5'10	Saratoga, CA
36	Treat, Tom	WR/CB	2004	125	6'4	Bolton, CT
44	Hoesley, Connor	FB/LB	2004	215	6'2	Lake Forest, IL
45	Ward, Matt	RB/SS	2006	175	5'9	Boxford, MA
52	Bongiorni, Alex	OT/DE	2004	225	5'10	Hampton, MA
54	Holkins, Patrick	OG/NG	2004	200	6'2	Overland Park, KS
55	Nottke, Jordan	OT/DT	2005	230	6'5	Summatra, INDONESIA
56	Hansen, Ben	G	2004	180	5'11	Falmouth, ME
59	Sternberg, John	C/LB	2004	282	5'8	Lake Forest, IL
60	DeSimone, Stephen	C/T	2004	250	6'0	Narragansett, RI
62	Giller, Dave	L	2006	205	6'2	Swampscott, MA
63	Velez, Edwin	OL/LB	2004	220	6'1	Staten Island, NY
65	Haydock, Wally	OG/DT	2004	212	5'10	Locust Valley, NY
67	Iheagwara, Uzoma	G/DE	2004	195	5'10	Upper Marlboro, MD
68	Beregi, William	DT	2004	245	5'9	Upper Saddle, NJ
72	Severo, Stephen	TE	2005	200	6'3	Westford, MA
76	Igbokwe, Kenechi	L	2005	185	6'0"	Bronx, NY
74	Lanfranco, Anwell	T	2004	225	5'11	Salem, NH
75	Stone, Ben	OT/DT	2004	200	6'0	Dover, MA
81	Geary, Jay	T/DE	2005	185	6'2	Andover, MA
83	Oviasu, Enoma	WR	2004	185	5'10	Old Westbury, NY

Captain: Tyler Simms '03 Connor Hoesley '03

Team Managers:

Head Coach: Leon Modeste

Assistant Head Coach: Lou Bernieri

Special Assistant: Shane Waldron '98, Dick Collins '49

Athletic Director: Martha Fenton

Trainers: Brian Cox, Kathy Birecki, Mike Kuta

Equipment Manager: Blaine Austin

School Physician: Richard Keller, M.D.

Assistant Coaches: Steve Carter, Chris Leckerling, Chip Dunn

DATE OF CONTEST: September 20, 2003

OPPONENT: Loomis Chaffee

WHERE PLAYED Andover (@ Home)

RESULTS: 29 - 12

Big Blue Football Mauls Pelicans

The Andover varsity football team opened its season in front of an enthusiastic crowd at Phelps Stadium and responded with a 29-12 victory over visiting Loomis Chaffee. The Blue offense was led by quarterback Nick Stamas who threw two touchdown passes to Tulo Wusu and another to Bryce Loidolt. Stamas also racked up 50 yards on the ground, mostly on scrambles out of the pocket as he evaded the Loomis rush. Tailback Mike Eruzione handled most of the rushing chores for PA picking up 87 yards, including a nifty 12-yard game-clinching touchdown run in the fourth quarter. The Andover offense was aided by great field position as Tyler Simms had over 90 yards in kick and punt returns. On defense Blue linebackers Connor Hoesley and Evan Platt led the charge while the team's powerful line play included 5 sacks from Alex Bongiorno. In the secondary Bobby Spang and Paul Tassinari each picked off errant passes.....The team wants to thank all the fans; they were a very inspirational group. Next week the team travels to Lakeville, CT to take on Hotchkiss.



DATE OF CONTEST: September 27, 2003

OPPONENT: Hotchkiss

WHERE PLAYED Hotchkiss

RESULTS: 21-25

PA Gridders Drop Tough Battle With Powerful Hotchkiss

The Big Blue football team put forth a valiant effort but fell to a very strong Hotchkiss squad by a score of 25-21. Co-captain Tyler Simms had a big day for Andover catching 6 passes for 78 yards and a TD. Co-captain Connor Hoesely had 10 tackles to lead the defense. Next Saturday the PA team will host Choate at Phelps Stadium with kickoff scheduled for 2:00 pm.

DATE OF CONTEST: October 4, 2003

OPPONENT: Choate

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: 13 - 21

Late Rally Not Enough As Gridders Fall To Choate

The Big Blue played a courageous game against a very powerful Choate squad on Saturday and had the ball late in the fourth quarter with a chance to tie the game with a TD and 2-point conversion. It was the visiting Boars, however, who came away with the 21-13 win at Phelps Stadium. Filling in for senior QB Nick Stamas, sophomore Joe Lokitis threw for two PA scores: a 12-yard strike to Tyler Simms and a 52-yard bomb to Bryce Loidolt. On defense the Blue was led by co-captain Connor Hoesley (10 tackles) and Uzi Iheagwara who harassed the Choate quarterback all day. Next Saturday the Blue travel to Ashburnham to play Cushing Academy at 4:30.

DATE OF CONTEST: October 11, 2003

OPPONENT: Cushing

WHERE PLAYED Cushing

RESULTS: 14 - 34

Cushing Downs Blue in Football

The Big Blue played with heart but didn't have the muscle to stop a very powerful Cushing Academy team. Outweighed in some match-ups by nearly 100 pounds, Andover had a tough time up front, and the host Penguins powered their way to a 34-14 victory. On defense PA was led by co-captain Connor Hoesely with a dozen tackles. The Blue offense was led by QB Nick Stamas, who threw for 300 yards and two TD's, and by wide receiver, co-captain Tyler Simms, who amassed over 100 receiving yards and a touchdown. Bryce Loidolt also pulled in a TD pass. Next Saturday the Blue hope to get back on track in the friendly confines of Phelps Stadium with the support of a large Parent's Weekend crowd. Kickoff is set for a 2:30 PM.

DATE OF CONTEST: October 18, 2003

OPPONENT: N.H.H. (Northfield Mount Herman)

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: 22-0

Big Blue Football Shuts Out NMH 22-0

The Big Blue got back in the win column with a strong effort against NMH. The defense led by linebackers Connor Hoesley and Evan Platt held the Hoggars scoreless. Andover used gang tackling to contain the big running backs of the visitors. The Blue also capitalized on a fumble recovery by Alex Bongorni and an interception by Bryce Loidolt. Tolu Wusu was also a menace to the NMH offense with big "stops" all day. On offense QB Nick Stamas was the leader throwing for 252 yards and 2 touchdowns. Tyler Simms led the Andover receiving corps with six catches for 127 yards and a TD. Loidolt also hauled in a scoring toss from Stamas. Mike Eruzione led the ground game with 6yds per carry and one touchdown. The highlight of the game was the Big Blue's goal line stand at the beginning of the 4th quarter. The Andover defense turned NMH away 4 times from inside the 7 yard line. After the stop, which gave PA the ball almost touching their own goal, PA went on what must be the longest drive in school's history....eating up the clock and culminating in a Stamas to Simms TD pass. The Big Blue was inspired by the presence of our parents and families on Parents' Weekend. Next Saturday, along with the other Andover teams, the PA gridiron gang will travel out to Deerfield to take on a very powerful Big Green Machine.

DATE OF CONTEST: October 25, 2003

OPPONENT: Deerfield Academy

WHERE PLAYED Deerfield

RESULTS: 18 - 28

Spirited Blue Football Team Takes on Big Green

Playing with pride and great spirit, the Andover football team played Deerfield Saturday in front of a large Parents' Weekend crowd of Green supporters. Despite being outmatched by the substantially larger Deerfield squad, PA held its own and played valiantly. Still, the final score tipped to Deerfield 28-18. Displaying their best ground game of the season, PA had fullback Connor Hoesley rush for 93 yards and tailback Mike Eurizione add 75 more. Quarterback Nick Stamas went over the 1000-yard mark for the season by throwing for 132 yards and 2 touchdowns. Wideout Tyler Simms snatched 6 of Stamas' passes. On defense Hoesley, Aalex Bogorni, and Bryce Loidolt led the way. Next week the Big Blue play their final home game of the season against Tabor Academy. The tilt will be a night game at Phelps Stadium with kickoff on Saturday scheduled for 6 pm.

DATE OF CONTEST: November 1, 2003

OPPONENT: Tabor Academy

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: 26 - 21

PA Football Tops Tabor In Seesaw Battle

This was a game of "anything you can do I can do better." Playing under the lights and in front of an enthusiastic Saturday night crowd at Phelps Stadium, the Big Blue football team took an early lead 13-0 against the visiting Tabor Seawolves. Both PA scores were rushing touchdowns by Mike Eruzione as Andover seemed to be establishing control of the game, but Tabor answered with 15 points in the second quarter, their first touchdown coming a few plays after a long pass completion on a fake punt. Eruzione scored again in the second on an amazing zig-zaging, tackle-breaking 26 yd run to give the Blue a 20-15 halftime lead. Tabor took a 21-20 lead on the third quarter touchdown run, but PA regained the lead in the fourth when quarterback Nick Stamma hooked up with Tulo Wusu for a 36-yard touchdown pass. Wusu caught the ball over the middle near the 20 yard line, but using his speed and juking ability, he made several tacklers miss and set up a final block before making it to the end zone. Still, there was time left for another Tabor drive. This time, after allowing a couple of first downs, the Big Blue defense stiffened and stopped the visitors on fourth and one at the PA 32. Throughout the evening the Blue defense was lead by Wusu, Connor Hoesley, Evan Platt and Bryce Loidolt. Next week the Big Blue heads north to play Exeter on Saturday at 1:30 in the traditional season finale.

DATE OF CONTEST: November 8, 2003

OPPONENT: Exeter Academy

WHERE PLAYED Exeter

RESULTS: 0 - 44

The PHILLIPIAN SPORTS

Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts

October 24, 2003



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Postgraduate Michael Eruzione '04 powers through the arm tackle of an NMH defensive back in Saturday's game with the Hoggers, which took place in front of a large Parents' Weekend crowd. The Big Blue won the game, trouncing the winless Hoggers 22-0.

FOOTBALL HOG-TIES NMH

by Mac King
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	22
NMH	0

It looks like things are taking a turn for the better for the Andover Football team. Last Saturday, hoping to end their three game losing streak, PA came out strong in front of a crowd of beaming parents and shut out Northfield Mount Hermon 22-0.

The game began slowly, but following a scoreless first quarter, quarterback Nick Stamas '04 found Co-captain Tyler Simms '04 twice for two large gains that moved the Big Blue deep into NMH territory.

With 4:33 remaining in the first half, a scrambling Stamas fled an intense NMH pass rush and launched a 32-yard touch-

down pass to Bryce Loidolt '04 in the back corner of the end zone. After a failed extra point attempt, the Big Blue ended the half leading the Hoggers 6-0.

The Hoggers, down by only a touchdown and within striking distance of the end zone, looked to be in a good position.

However, NMH never really had a chance. Loidolt intercepted a NMH pass from to give Andover possession once more:

The Blue then drove the ball down the field to the Hoggers' two-yard line, where Michael Eruzione '04 took over and pounded the ball in for the score. Eruzione averaged six yards per carry on what was a very successful day for Andover's ground game.

PA then increased its lead to 14 on a successful two-point conversion pass, Stamas to Simms.

NMH came back strong, and

when Hogger wideout Scott McIntyre hauled in a 42-yard pass on the PA seven-yard line, it looked as though NMH was sure to score. But the Blue's defensive line held the NMH's offensive for four straight downs and kept Andover's shutout bid alive.

"We clogged up holes really well and came up big, just as we go over in practice, on the goal-line," said David Giller '06.

From then on the Andover team kept things rolling. Effectively combining runs and short passes to drive 99 yards to

the Hogger end zone, PA did a superb job of winding down the clock.

To end the drive Stamas, fleeing the pocket once more, hooked up with Simms for the sixth time that day, this time in the right corner of the end zone and increased the Andover lead to 20. Stamas then ran in the two-point conversion.

While the entire team played well there were a few notable standouts. On offense, quarterback Stamas threw for 252 yards and a touchdown, while Simms,

on the other end of Stamas' passes, added 127 receiving yards, a touchdown, and a two-point conversion.

Tomorrow, the Blue faces a strong Deerfield team that owns a 4-1 record this season. The Green's QB is a great rollout quarterback who can get their offense clicking. Coach Modeste said of Deerfield, "They are excellent, really tremendous."

The Big Blue have their work cut out for them if they hope to knock off Deerfield, but a win is certainly within their grasp.

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Big Blue Vs Loomis: The Breakdown

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The first game of the year sets the tone for the entire season. A big win over the Loomis Chaffee Pelicans tomorrow, the Big Blue will have set themselves on the right path for the 2003 season.

The Andover team is no secret on Academy Hill, and it has not been since Coach Leon Modeste took control of the team. The Big Blue is going to throw the ball and throw it a lot. On defense, this season, the boys will run a standard 4-3 as they have in years past.

When Loomis has the ball:

Loomis Chaffee is a very powerful team, who will be very dangerous up the middle. The team also runs an option. In order to contain the Pelicans the Big Blue will need to step up put pressure on the Loomis quarterback. "We've been working the whole week to stop the option,"

said lineman Uzoma Iheagwara '04. "If we can shut down the option, we shut down their whole offense."

Iheagwara continued, "We want to hit their QB hard when he runs the ball, to make him think

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Loomis runs a 4-4, which means four downlinemen as well as four linebackers. The defense works wonders against most rush-heavy offenses in the Prep league. Andover, however, is a different story.

With only three defensive backs in their standard set, Loomis can be very vulnerable to an air attack.

As Iheagwara said, "Their outside linebackers can't cover our receivers." The boys will need to take advantages of the mismatches in the secondary.

Add to that Loomis' fear of Stamas running the ball himself, and that should make for a very long game for the Pelicans defense.

Last season, PA dominated the Pelicans 41-22 in a tone-setting win. Andover broke the game open in the second quarter of that game, heading into halftime with a 28-8 lead. Andover will look for similar good fortune this week against a formidable Pelican squad.

Andover's New Quarterback



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Nick Stamas '04

Last season, Nick Stamas was a wide receiver for the Andover High School Warriors until mid-season, when he took over the job as quarterback. Coach Modeste said of Stamas, "He's a playmaker, who makes quick, solid decisions, and who has quietly taken over the offense." Stamas seems to always have three or four options on a particular play and should do well in his regular season debut this weekend. On Stamas, teammate Uzoma Iheagwara '04 said, "Nick is clutch and plays very smart football. He can run and throw and we are very lucky to have him running our offense." Loomis, on the other hand, might not be so lucky.



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Meet Andover's Captains

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Team Co-captain, number one wide receiver, and Andover's go-to-guy Tyler Simms '04 is a force to be reckoned with on the gridiron. Coach Modeste said Simms was "among the most technically correct players that

PA has ever seen." As long as the Andover offensive line can keep the rush off quarterback Nick Stamas '04, Simms should see plenty of balls thrown his way against Loomis Saturday. The football team will look to this great competitor for leadership all season long. Said teammate Uzoma Iheagwara '04, "Tyler's our leader out there, our big money man."



Connor Hoesley '04 - Linebacker

Co-captain Connor Hoesley '04 excels at the linebacker position and is a talented running back. Against Loomis this weekend, Hoesley has the potential to have a monstrous game. The Pelicans rely heavily on their running-

backs to move the ball and dominate the clock. It just so happens that Hoesley's specialty from his middle linebacker position is stopping the run. This dominating 'backer has patrolled the middle of the field since his Lower year, striking fear into the hearts of New England Prep League runningbacks. It should be no different for Hoesley in 2003.



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Quarterback Nick Stamas '04 runs the ball up the field in Wednesday's away game against Hotchkiss.

Hotchkiss Beats PA

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the second PA touchdown. Boeschstein finished with another successful extra point, putting the Big Blue up 14-6 going into the second quarter.

Late in the second quarter, Hotchkiss got their second TD on a twenty-five yard pass to the back right of the end zone.

On PA's next possession, the game took a turn for the worse. Platt received a bad snap from David Giller '06 on fourth and seventeen, causing him to fumble the ball. Hotchkiss recovered the fumble and ran it in for a touchdown and the 18-14 lead.

Despite Giller's difficulty, Coach Mo was sure of the talent in his developing player. "We have a very young, very good snapper," he said, "but he is young. Every time you start a sophomore you're gonna hiccup."

After a scoreless third quarter with a mere 4:25 left in the game, Loomis's running back ran the ball twenty-five yards for his second touchdown, which gave Loomis a 25-14 lead.

With things looking bleak for the Andover team, post graduate Bryce Loidolt '04 raised spirits with an enormous reception that put the Big Blue well within striking distance of the end zone. Unfortunately, Stamas threw a pick in the end zone and Hotchkiss regained possession.

Knowing the severity of the situation, Andover's defensive line did a superb job of putting pressure on the Hotchkiss quarterback, and a few plays later Hotchkiss fumbled the ball, and Andover's own Paul Tassinari '04 recovered.

With only 2:06 left to play in the game, the Big Blue was in

possession once again within passing distance of the end zone. This time around, Stamas didn't miss, and fired a perfect thirty-yard bomb to Loidolt in the end zone. The pass and Boeschstein's kick (his third on the day) put the Big Blue within four.

Now with the pressure on the defense once more, the linemen stripped the ball from the Loomis quarterback, with Bobby Spang '05 covering the ball. The Big Blue gained possession at the forty-seven yard line with a minute left to play. On the first play of the drive, with the clock running out and victory within sight, Stamas threw his second interception of the game and Hotchkiss walked away with the win.

Players saw the loss as something to learn from. Sherrill said, "It was a tough loss to a good team. I think we can rebound, however, and come back tough against Choate"

Coach Mo later said: "[Hotchkiss is] a really good football team, and they killed us last year. This year it was pretty clear that we narrowed down the gap—just not quite enough. It was a hard-fought game right up until the very end."

Spang, looking ahead to the Blue's next game, a contest with heated rival Choate, said, "Choate will be a challenge for us, more so even than Hotchkiss. If we are able to stop the run on defense we should do alright."

Coach Modeste described Choate as being very "big and physical, with a bunch of big strong runners."

The key to beating Choate, for the Blue, will be to use their quick strike capability and beat them with their speed.

BERTUCCI'S PLAY OF THE WEEK

by Wes Howe
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With 1:30 to go in their game against Hotchkiss this past Saturday, the PA Football Team was down 25-21 after an impressive forced fumble followed by a touchdown minutes before. The boys, again on defense, went for a repeat performance, keeping in mind the fact that if they could strip the ball the game could be theirs. The play would decide the outcome of the game, and the Boys in Blue wanted to be on top when the final whistle blew. As Coach Leon Modeste said, "It kept us in the game. We had to make two scores. The first fumble we go the ball back and we were able to score, the second one gave us a shot to win."

In the huddle, the plan was set. Starting defensive tackle Jordan Nottke '05 recalled, "Basically what happens is you're taught to strip the ball. You have one player hold the guy up, and everyone else tries to strip the ball off him."

The play went exactly as planned. In the confusion of the charge from the line, one of PA's players got a hold of the Bearcats ball holder, and the rest went in to strip the ball from him before he fell, which would render the play dead. Said defensive back Bobby Spang '05, "With a minute and a half left to play, the defense was desperate for a turnover. The big fellas upfront did a great job making the play happen, wrenching the ball free. The turnover sparked the team."

Spang responded to the loose ball promptly, covering it up with his body and cementing the turnover. The line did well to turn the ball over, but their

valiant efforts were futile in the end as the team suffered their first loss, 25-21, when the offense failed to break out for the elusive win-clinching touchdown.

As starting lineman Uzoma Iheagwara '04 said, "The only thing that could have matched

that fumble recovery emotionally, would have been to actually drive down the field the win the game. We didn't quite do it, but I know the boys on this team can. We might be defeated, but this is just one game. We've got a whole season of great football to play."

Hotchkiss Slips By Andover Football Team

by Mac King

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

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Andover

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Coming off a big win over the Loomis Chaffee Pelicans, the



Andover Football team lost to Hotchkiss this past Saturday in a heated battle on

Hotchkiss turf.

Andover opened the game with a strong defensive statement, forcing Hotchkiss to punt on their first possession. After a short pass and a quarterback sneak, Nick Stamas '04 handed the ball off to Co-captain Connor Hoesley '04 who ran the ball five

yards for the touchdown. Hobie Boeschstein '04 split the uprights on the extra point to put PA in the lead 7-0.

Hotchkiss, relying on their veteran running game, quickly countered. Their future Division One halfback pounded through the Andover defense, rumbling for forty-five yards to score. Lady Luck was on PA's side, at least in the beginning of the game, and the Hotchkiss place-kicker botched the PAT. Andover maintained a slim 7-6 lead.

At the tail end of the first quarter, the Big Blue continued their offensive showoff on their second possession of the day. After driving down the field, Stamas gave the ball to Evan Platt '06, who powered it in for

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Mike Eruzone '04 follows his blocks down the field during Saturday's loss against Hotchkiss.

Crosstown QB: Nick Stamas '04 Joins the PA Squad from AHS

by Jon Hillman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Making the transition from townie to prepster, from the comfort of his AHS senior spring to the academic stresses of Andover, has been simply more of the same for Nick Stamas '04. Stamas is no stranger to change: partway through his senior season at Andover High, Stamas made switch from wide receiver to starting quarterback. Replacing former Andover student-athlete Brent Hyde '05, Stamas took the reins of a faltering 0-3 Andover High football team and led the team to a surprising 3-8 finish last year.

Stamas's ability to "adapt on the field" is "one of his many strengths," said current Andover High quarterback and former teammate Geoff Stevens.

On the field, "Stamas can improvise and make plays happen when it would be a dead-down for other players," said Head Football Coach Leon Modeste.

"You just can't teach creativity," Modeste continued.

This natural game-sense, coupled with his "tremendous athletic ability" and "good vision," as Coach Modeste said, makes Stamas a dependable asset to the Big Blue football team.

Stamas attributes his play-making skills at QB to "developing around wide-receiver plays" during the three years of wideout he played before making the switch during his senior year.

While following in the footsteps of Andover football legend Zak DeOssie '03 is no easy task, Stamas appears eager to take up the challenge. Characterized as a "silent leader" by Coach Modeste, Stamas is a modestly confident athlete who "let's his actions speak for him" as AHS QB Stevens said. In fact, Stamas' leadership seems to have rubbed off on Stevens, an 11th grader who is currently playing like a senior.

Elaborating on the clear differences between DeOssie and Stamas, Coach Modeste said, "While DeOssie, used his powerful arm and size, Stamas is a different animal. [Stamas] takes the opportunity to run for yards,

while DeOssie only ran to get out of trouble."

Stamas is an ideal fit for

Stamas could be the final piece of the puzzle. See Page 11.

Coach Modeste's pass-driven offense, which takes advantage of wide receivers Tyler Simms '04 and Tolu Wusu '04. Stamas' ability to run when the opposition chooses to play man-to-man

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Nick Stamas '04 drops back to pass in the scrimmage.



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Center John Sternberg '04, quarterback Nick Stamas '04, and halfback Derrick Kuan '04 prepare for a long football season with the Big Blue in practice Thursday.

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Navigating the backfield in a preseason practice, new quarterback Nick Stamas '04 looks to lead the Big Blue this year.

Choate Chomps Andover Football

Meet Joey Lokitis '06: PA's New Starting Quarterback

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Joseph Lokitis '06 sits hunched over a computer just outside Garver room anxiously plucking away at the black Dell keyboard at his fingertips. Upon seeing my arrival Joey instinctively hits the "p" key and the various sharks, fish, seals, and other ocean inhabitants in the game he is playing come to a stand still. Lokitis then turns his chair my direction and says "alright lets do this."

Standing in at five foot eleven and weighing just over a buck seventy Lokitis is the quintessential image of an Andover athlete. Wearing faded jeans, well kept sneakers, and a gray t-shirt currently, Lokitis' looks clean cut compared to the image of toughness he portrays under a football helmet.

Lokitis grew up in Norton Massachusetts under the careful watch of his two athletically gifted older sisters. Influenced by his siblings athletic prowess, he began playing basketball at the age of five. However, he did not pick up football until much later. "Football is a lot of fun," the lower says. "But basketball will always be my sport."

Lokitis became interested in football in the seventh grade when he began to tire of being a soccer player and tried out as left tackle for the football team. When asked how he made the drastic change to quarterback Lokitis responded "I always wanted to assume a leadership position on the field and quarterback was the best way for me to go about it."

At this point in the conversation best friend and teammate Evan Platt '06 interrupts Joey and gives his loud opinion on how Joey should be focusing exclusively on football. Lokitis laughs and shrugs. "My parents

always told me to be balanced. I play the piano; I am like a little Mozart."

Bringing the conversation back to football I ask Lokitis about the game on Saturday. Lokitis made his first varsity start at quarterback for Blue, stepping in for the injured Nick Stamas '04. "I was nervous; I am not going to lie. But at the same time I was glad to have the opportunity to show off my stuff." Now raising his voice so the whole room can hear him Lokitis says "...oh yeah I'd like to thank Nick for being my mentor. I feel like his apprentice, I even sold him my sneakers for twenty bucks." Stamas looks over from the computer across the way, shakes his head and smiles affectionately at his protégé.

When asked what he thought about his coach on the gridiron and the hardwood, Leon Modeste, Lokitis responded "Coach Mo...Coach Mo's the man."

Coach Modeste thinks much the same of Lokitis. "Joe is a fine young quarterback who may get the starting nod later on this season should we need to use him," Modeste said.

Throughout the interview it becomes increasingly clear that Lokitis simply exudes confidence. Every question I ask he answers truthfully with a big warm smile. The young quarterback is brutally honest, he has nothing to hide. And why should he? Getting the starting nod at quarterback as a sophomore, not to mention making varsity basketball as a freshman, Lokitis has plenty of reasons to be confident.

Mentor Stamas said of Lokitis, "Joey is a very talented, unique, determined individual. He's going places."



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Joey Lokitis '06 rifles the ball downfield, looking for one of his new favorite targets, PG Wideout Bryce Loidolt '04, in the Boys 21-13 loss to the Choate Wild Boars last Saturday at Phelps Stadium.

Big Blue Football Falls to Choate at Home

by Mac King
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The Wild Boars came to town and the game was certainly wild for Andover. Perhaps too wild.

This past Saturday, in wretched conditions, the

Andover Football suffered their second loss in a row, losing to Choate at home in Phelps Stadium. Highlighting the game was sophomore quarterback Joey Lokitis '06, who started in the place of starter Nick Stamas '04. Coach Modeste said of Lokitis after the game, "[Joey] did a great job stepping in. He came into this

match up kind of cold against a big team, and it was great to get a fine young quarterback like himself some game time experience."

Andover started the game off with a bang. After driving down the field on the legs of the Andover backfield, Lokitis found Co-captain Wide Receiver Tyler Simms '04 in the back right corner of the end zone. PA missed the PAT, but nonetheless were pleased with a solid 6-0 lead on the Choate Wild Boars.

Choate was quick to counter Andover's touchdown, and on their next possession, the Wild Boar quarterback threw a forty-yard bomb to the back right of the end zone. Choate hit their extra point and took a 7-6 lead on the Blue.

In the second half, neither team dominated the game. Unfortunately for Andover,

Choate's offense lucked in to a few scoring opportunities in the second half.

Choate began driving on their first possession and pushed the ball all the way down the field against the Blue for the score.

With their defense controlling the Andover offense, Choate continued driving the ball well into the fourth quarter and scored their third touchdown of the game.

Now down 21-6, the Andover offense finally got a chance to show what they could do, and would not be kept at bay. Sophomore Lokitis launched a forty-five yard bomb to PG wide receiver Bryce Loidolt '04. Loidolt, with space to move, ran the ball into the end zone for the TD.

With 3:40 left to play Lokitis threw his second pick of the game making it Choate's ball. Things were looking bleak for the Big Blue until defensive lineman Uzoma Iheagwara '04 gave the Andover team some hope by recovering a Hotchkiss fumble on the PA 25.

On the first play of their next drive Lokitis threw a quick pass across the middle to Simms, who made a lot out of a little and ran the ball seventy-five yards into the Hotchkiss end zone. A holding penalty called the play back to the fifty yard line, which put the Big Blue fifty yards away with fifty-seven seconds left on the clock. Lokitis kept going and hit Michael Eruzione '04 across the middle for a five-yard gain.

On third and ten disaster struck, and Lokitis went down clutching his arm.

Unable to play for the remainder of the game Joey retreated to the bench and back up quarter back turned wide receiver Stephen Sherrill '05 came into the game cold on fourth and ten, forty-five yards from the end zone. Sherrill later said of the play, "It was a tough situation I just thought to myself, Steve you got to put the ball up there. You got to put the ball in the air and let one of our talented wide receivers get to it."

Unfortunately, almost as soon as the ball was snapped, four defenders blew threw the Andover offensive line and with no pass protection to his name, Sherrill was sacked. Choate got the win 21-13.

Teammates and coaches agreed that defense is off to a great start. Sophomores Evan Platt '06 and Matt Ward '06 have been rock solid all year at helping co-captain Connor Hoesley '04 to plug the run. Platt said, "We stepped it up this weekend, but could have done better. We're young but there were no broken necks...we need some broken necks." Meanwhile, uppers Bobby Spang '05, Stephen Sherrill '05 and Winston Shaw '05 have served as much needed additions to Andover's secondary. Spang said, "we have been constantly improving week by week and now we give up much less big plays every game."

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Halfback Mike Eruzione '04 makes Swiss cheese of the Tabor defense thanks in part to excellent blocking from the PA line. Eruzione rumbled for three rushing touchdowns in the game.

Andover Football Trumps Tabor As Eruzione Scores Three TDs

by Mac King

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

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Games at home under the lights are always the most highly anticipated and especially intense for every sport. When the Andover football team took on the Tabor Sea Wolves under the lights last Saturday, it was no different. Looking for their first win since the shutout against NMH on parent's weekend, and having just lost to Deerfield the week before, the Andover team entered the game psyched to win in front of a packed Phelps Stadium. The 26-21 win was led by team captains Connor Hoesley '04 and Tyler Simms '04, and featured another solid performance from quarterback Nick Stamas '04 and a monstrous game on the ground from Michael Eruzione '04.

In the first quarter PA started with the ball and began driving immediately. After successfully moving the ball down the majority of the field, Stamas faked a handoff to Hoesley and instead ran the option himself for a first down on the Tabor one yard line. From there Stamas handed off to Eruzione who blew right threw the Tabor defensive line for the score. Then kicker Hobie Boeschenstein '04 increased the Big Blue's lead to seven with a successful kick for the extra point.

After a big defensive stand led by Tolu Wusu '04, who had a sack and a big tackle during the drive, Tabor was forced to punt the ball. Then following Simms's hefty return of the punt, Stamas gave the ball to Simms again, who was tackled on the Tabor 11 yard line. From

there, Stamas handed the ball off to Eruzione who ran it in for another PA touchdown to give the Big Blue a 13-0 lead.

Tabor began to retaliate in the second quarter when their featured back Nicozzi Stills rushed for a fifteen-yard touchdown.

As if challenged by Stills, Eruzione came right back and rumbled the length of the field on five huge runs, the fifth of which ended in a ducking, weaving, and juking ten yard touchdown that, with the help of a Boeschenstein kick, gave the Blue a 20-7 lead. This was Eruzione's third touchdown in the first half.

Tabor was able to score once more before the termination of the half, and with the help of a successful two point conversion, they trailed by just five entering the second half.

Tabor struck again in the third quarter and was able to take the lead for the first time in the game on a forty-six yard Stills touchdown run, making the score 21-20 in favor of the Sea wolves.

In an exciting fourth quarter, Stamas passed six yards to Wusu who rumbled an impressive thirty yards for the score. Then in the dwindling minutes of the game with only 3:56 left to play, Tabor had the ball on fourth and two, with an opportunity to take the lead and leave Andover very little time to retaliate. The Big Blue made the stop, which secured them the 26-21 win.

Stamas, while he took his licks, played another impressive game. The win was also helped by an outstanding receiving performance from Simms and a big game from Hoesley on defense. Michael Eruzione also played

extremely well and rushed for three touchdowns in his best game of the season to bring his two game touchdown total to five.

Wide receiver Stephen Sherrill '05 said of Eruzione's performance, "Mike was absolutely disgusting. He ran well and really helped our team. We're going to miss him tomorrow against Exeter."

The Big Blue is now 4-5 on the season and, seeking a .500 record on the year and will travel to New Hampshire to battle Exeter tomorrow.

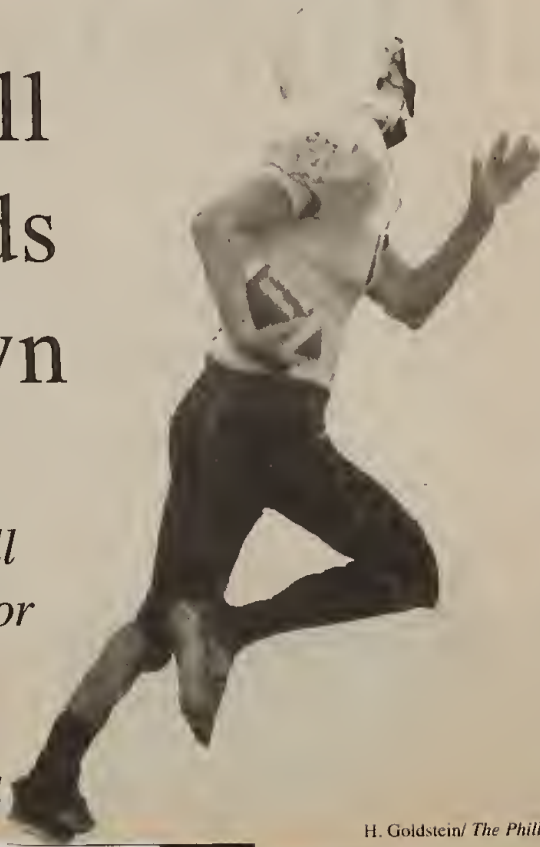
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Andover Football Rumbles Towards Exeter Showdown

BY MAC KING

"This is it. This is the game we've all been waiting for. I've been waiting for it all my life. Exeter is going to be tough, but we are tougher."

- Lineman Uzoma Iheagwara '04



Football

Every year it all comes down to the football game. Hands down the most anticipated sporting event all year, the Andover/Exeter football game brings out intensity and school spirit not only in the players doing battle on the field, but the hundreds filling the stadiums.

This year's game will be the Andover teams most challenging game all season. There is always pressure to win the big football game, but this year the Exeter squad Coach Leon Modeste's Big Blue face off with packs an extra punch. Exeter is having a tremendous season. Coming into the game with an 8-0 record against Andover's 4-5 and having housed teams that entirely demolished the Big Blue, Exeter will be an extremely tough opponent.

The nucleus of the Exeter team is Quarterback Matt Polhemus '04. With a big strong arm and the ability to pick up yards on the ground the future Yale Bulldog is the ideal quarterback. If the Big Blue want to have a chance against the Exies they will need to, at the very least, contain Polhemus. As Coach Modeste put it, "We can't stop [Polhemus] so we will need to neutralize him or at the very least equal him." The Andover defensive line will need to keep pressure on Polhemus and be ready to stuff the run. Yet, they will have to be careful not to bring too many man up in the box and tempt Polhemus and the Big Red to torch them with the long ball.

Exeter also comes on strong on the defensive side. Starting a very big and very tough top eight, the Exeter team will be putting intense pressure on Nick Stamas '04 all day long. The Andover offensive line will need to keep a definitive pocket to buy Stamas time to get the ball off. As always, the offensive players to watch will be quarterback Stamas, and Co-captain Tyler Simms '04 at wide receiver.

According to Coach Modeste's knowledge of the Exeter team, Exeter will run the ball a lot with the occasional pass. Everyone on Academy Hill knows that, for as long as Modeste has been at the helm with a QB the likes of Stamas, Andover will pass the ball a lot with an occasional run. No matter what the result is, it should be an exciting game, and the Andover team will be looking for the upset to finish their season at .500 and snap Exeter's perfect season and championship bid. And then there was that tie last year.

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GAME TIME - 1:30 IN PHELPS STADIUM

SPORT: Boys Varsity Soccer
YEAR: 2003 - 2004

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ASSISTANT COACHES:

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SEASON RECORD

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Dunbar Cup Champions
New England Class A Prep School Finalist



**Phillips Academy
ANDOVER
Boys' Varsity Soccer
2003 Roster**

#	Name	Year	Ht	Wt	Position	Hometown
19	AJ Charles	07	5'3"	116	Forward	Baltimore, MD
15	Andrew Geraghty	05	6'0"	160	Back	Reading, MA
5	Ben Hoerner	04	6'0"	165	Forward	Andover, MA
9	Carey Hynes	04	5'9"	160	Back	Chicago, IL
7	Kirk Lepke	04	5'10"	145	Forward	North Andover, MA
11	Nathan Kellogg	05	6'1"	165	Back	Natick, MA
12	Knef King	04	6'2"	175	Back	South Bend, IN
18	Pumi Maqubela	06	5'9"	140	Midfield	Andover, MA
1	Brendan McManus	05	6'1"	175	Goalie	North Andover, MA
14	Stephen Russell	04	6'1"	170	Back	Andover, MA
3	Nate Scott	05	5'9"	142	Midfield	Andover, MA
4	Patrick Shannon	05	5'10"	145	Back	Andover, MA
2	David Sheldon	04	5'4"	140	Back	Andover, MA
8	Michael Spiak	06	5'8"	140	Forward	Andover, MA
10	Callum Thomas	04	5'9"	157	Midfield	Aberdeen, SCOTLAND
23	TJ Thompson	06	5'11"	136	Midfield	Atkinson, NH
13	Brent Vale	04	6'3"	190	Back	San Jose, CA
6	Chris Walters	04	5'10"	150	Midfield	Winslow, ME
0	David Wilkinson	05	5'10"	160	Goalie	Rowayton, CT
21	Justin Wu	06	5'6"	150	Midfield	Concord, MA
16	Jason Zhu	07	5'4"	125	Midfield	Andover, MA

Captains: David Sheldon, Carey Haynes

Coaches: Bill Scott, Steve Carr

Managers: Jennifer Akor, Brittany Kaiser

Athletic Director: Martha Fenton

Trainers: Brian Cox, Kathy Birecki, Mike Kuta

Equipment Manager: Blaine Austin

School Physician: Richard Keller, M.D.

DATE OF CONTEST: 11/15/03

OPPONENT: Belmont Hill

WHERE PLAYED Andover (Graves Field)

RESULTS: 1-0 Andover win

Saturday, November 15

Boys Soccer Heads For Championship Game

Phillips Academy (12-3-2) 0 1 - 1

Belmont Hill School (13-4) 0 0 - 0

With a hard fought 1-0 victory over a strong Belmont Hill team, the gritty and determined Andover boys soccer team has earned a spot in the Class A New England Prep School Soccer finals. The championship game will be played on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. at Babson College and will match PA against Brooks School, 3-1 winners over Loomis Chaffee in the other semi-final game.

Saturday's game on Graves Field in Andover featured end-to-end action with both teams having a number of scoring opportunities in the cold, windy conditions. The biggest play of the first half came when Blue goalie Brendan McManus (Upper, North Andover, MA) made a terrific save, diving to his left to deny a Belmont Hill penalty kick. With the first half scoreless despite a possession advantage for Andover, Belmont Hill seemed to be having the better of the play after the intermission. Then, about 15 minutes into the second half, with the same combination of skill and determined persistence that has been their trademark, Andover produced the only goal of the game when Callum Thomas (Senior, Aberdeen, Scotland) came up with a loose ball in front and lifted it into the top netting, just barely under the crossbar. Nate Scott (Upper, Andover, MA) assisted on the goal.

The remainder of the game continued to feature aggressive play by both squads, but the PA defense turned away every threat, and the offense kept pressuring Belmont Hill's goal so that the visitors could not pull their defense up to join the attack. It was a great team win for the Big Blue with major contributions from everyone. They will look for one more great effort like today's in hopes of wearing the crown when tomorrow's action is through.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1/12/03

OPPONENT: Taft School

WHERE PLAYED Loomis

RESULTS: 5-3 Win

Comeback Win Propels Boys Soccer Into Tourney Semi-finals

Phillips Academy (11-3-2) 2 3 - 5

Taft School (12-3-3) 3 0 - 3

The Big Blue of Andover had to recover from an early 2-0 deficit and then, still trailing 3-2 at halftime, turned up the heat in the second half to defeat Taft School 5-3 in a New England Prep School Class A Soccer quarter-final match-up played at Loomis Chaffee School in Windsor, CT. The Taft team came out quickly and scored two goals in the first twenty minutes. Taft's Malcolm Munkittrick (Cobalt, CT) broke through in the twelfth minute and hit a screamer that beat Brendan McManus (North Andover, MA) at the back post. The hole in which the Big Blue found itself, got bigger eight minutes later when Taft's Pat Clancy (Cherry Hill, NJ) scored against the run of play. With the two-goal lead, Taft was in total command. Coming into the contest, Taft had conceded only five goals in its seventeen game WNEPSSA schedule and, given this impressive defensive dominance, the hill Andover needed to climb was treacherously steep. But the Big Blue didn't lose its spirit, and they began to trek their way back into the game, albeit one step at a time. The first step came in the twenty-eighth minute. The crafty Callum Thomas (Senior, Aberdeen, Scotland) beat a couple of Taft defenders and made his way into the Taft penalty box. From there, a Thomas pass found Michael Spiak (Lower, Andover, MA) running through a seam in the defense. Spiak one-timed a ball that deflected off one defender and then another before bouncing toward the goal mouth. Taft's goalie Justin Martin (Wellington, FL) did his best to get to the ball but his sprawling effort was a moment too late as the ball inched its way over the goal line. The linesman was well positioned and motioned for the goal as Andover had begun to climb back into the game. In the thirty-ninth minute, Spiak struck again. Kirk Lepke (Senior, North Andover, MA) made a penetrating run up the right flank and served the ball to Spiak who slotted it home from twelve yards. This goal knotted the score at two and the game was on. But Taft didn't give in as they once again forced play in the Andover end. Two minutes from halftime, Taft's Jon Carlos (Southbury, CT) made an inspirational run up the right flank. From there, he served a low cross to Tom Ide (Ridgefield, CT) who ran onto the pass and one-timed a volley from twenty yards. The ball found the back of the net in a hurry as Andover's goalie McManus had no chance. For the Boys in Blue, the recovery was two steps forward and one step back and the scoreboard read 3-2 Taft at the intermission.

In the second half, Andover took command and began to have more success. In the fiftieth minute, Spiak was at it again but this time in the assisting role. From the right side of the goal, Spiak neatly beat a Taft defender and rocketed a ball towards goal. The Taft goalie made a valiant effort to corral the ball, but his effort failed and the ball landed at Kirk Lepke's feet. With a lethal swing of the leg, Lepke's blast exploded into the back of the net. This tied the game at three apiece. But Taft didn't go away and their excellent midfield crew made hard work for Andover's central midfield tandem of Justin Wu (Lower, Concord, MA) and Pumi Maqubela (Lower, Andover, MA). The youngsters Wu and Maqubela were playing toe-to-toe with the heart of Taft's midfield, and as the game wore on the Andover lads were slowly gaining the upper hand. It was a real struggle, but Wu and Maqubela pulled up their sleeves and fought off the challenge. The game winning goal came in the 63rd minute, and it was a cracker. TJ Thompson (Lower, Atkinson, NH) collected the ball from his left midfield position and then made a solo effort toward goal. With a feint left and a feint right, Thompson wrong-footed the Taft defender and made enough room for himself to blast a shot from 18 yards. The Taft goalie couldn't get to the ball as TJ's score proved to be the game winner. The final insurance goal came in the 77th minute, and it was Spiak once more. Again it was Thompson who found some space and threaded his way through the Taft defense before finding Spiak who headed home the eighth and final goal of the game. What looked to be a defensive struggle at the outset turned into a shootout at the OK Corral. When the dust settled, Andover had the final word and now moves on to play Belmont Hill in the NE Prep School Boys' Soccer semi-final. The seventh-seeded Belmont Hill upset number two Choate 1-0 and returns to Andover for a rematch of the 2000 quarter-final, a game Andover won by a score of 2-0. The game kicks off at 2 PM on Saturday on Graves Field.

Scoring: Taft, Malcolm Munkittrick 12th min., Pat Clancy 20th min., Tom Ide (Jon Carlos) 43rd min.; Andover, Own goal, 28th min., Spiak (Kirk Lepke) 39th min., Lepke (Spiak) 50th min., TJ Thompson 63rd min., Spiak (Thompson) 77th min.; Shots: Taft 8, Andover 22; Saves: Taft 6 (Justin Martin), Andover 4 (Brendan McManus); Corner Kicks: Taft 1, Andover 4; Offsides:

Taft 2, Andover 0; Fouls: Taft 15, Andover 16

Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, Steve Russell, Brent Vale, Carey Hynes, Chris Walters, David Sheldon, Justin Wu, Callum Thomas, TJ Thompson, Michael Spiak, Kirk Lepke

Taft Starters: Justin Martin, Andrew Strumolo, Gordon Guthrie, Jon Carlos, Alastair Smith, Jamie Wallace, Peter Wyman, Malcolm Munkittrick, Mark Rossi, Camp Walker, Pat Clancy

DATE OF CONTEST: 9/17/03

OPPONENT: Brooks School

WHERE PLAYED Brooks

RESULTS: Andover 0 Brooks 1 Loss

9/17/03

Brooks Edges Boys Soccer

Phillips Academy (0-1) 0 0 - 0

Brooks School (1-1) 1 0 - 1

Scoring: Brooks, Charlie Davies 43rd min.

Saves: Brooks, Shane Boggis, 3; Andover: Brendan McManus, 6

The Phillips Academy Boys' Varsity soccer team fell in the season opener to a talented Brooks squad, 1-0, on a goal by Brooks' Charlie Davies. The goal came just before halftime as the Big Blue lost the ball in the Brooks half and a Brooks' quick counter produced a long ball over the top. It was all Davies needed to get behind the Andover back four creating a chance at goal. The Andover keeper, Brendan McManus (Upper, North Andover, MA) had no chance as Davies slotted the ball to side netting. In the second half, the Big Blue had more of the ball but was unable to create many chances in front of the Brooks goal. Next up for the Big Blue is Loomis Chaffee. The visiting Pelicans visit Andover on Saturday for a 2 PM kickoff. Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, David Sheldon, Brent Vale, Steve Russell, Chris Walters, Nate Scott, Callum Thomas, Justin Wu, Kirk Lepke, Mike Spiak, TJ Thompson Brooks Starters: Shane Boggis, Eric Amoroso, Luiz Mendoza, Jamie Waters, Justin Davies, Ken Kosaku, Adam Rousmaniere, Matt Carroll, David Rountree, Charlie Davies, Mike Fucito.

DATE OF CONTEST: 11/8/03

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED Exeter

RESULTS: 1-0 win

Soccer Team Edges Rival Red; Hopes For Post-Season Bid

Phillips Academy (10-3-2) 1 0 - 1

Phillips Exeter Academy (8-3-4) 0 0 - 0

With so much riding on the game, the Andover and Exeter boys' varsity soccer teams played another battle royale in this fall classic. Exeter came into the match with only one prep school loss, a 1-0 setback to Holderness in their opening game of the season. Since then, the Big Red racked up a pile of solid results against quality opponents. Like Exeter, Andover's two prep losses came early in the season against Brooks and Choate, two teams destined for high rankings in the post-season Class A tournament. A win by either Andover or Exeter would likely launch that team into the post-season New England Prep Class A Tournament. To make the game even more compelling, the Dunbar Cup was on the line. The Dunbar Cup is awarded annually to the winner of the Andover, Deerfield, Exeter, and NMH series of games and the winner of this final game would walk away with the trophy. The stage was set for high drama.

Andover came out of the blocks quickly and was able to establishing territorial advantage right away. Kirk Lepke (Senior, North Andover, MA) and Mike Spiak (Lower, Andover, MA) were making darting runs up front and the Andover midfielders and backs were having success slotting balls through to this dynamic duo. After twenty minutes, Andover had a 4 - 1 advantage in corner kicks and an equal advantage in shots on goal. Both Lepke and Spiak had great looks at the goal but Exeter's keeper Thomas Jenkins was up to the challenge each time. Midway through the first stanza, Exeter made a push and began to have more success as the tide turned their way. Exeter's best chance came at the 25 minute mark as a misdirection caught Andover's keeper Brendan McManus (Upper, North Andover, MA) wrong-footed. The ball bounded past McManus and looked destined for the goal but, with some luck on the Big Blue's side, the ball hit the right post instead before being cleared off the line by Chris Walters (Senior, Winslow, ME). This energized the Exeter team as Andover struggled to keep the score locked at 0-0. The key battle ground was in the center of the midfield where Andover's Callum Thomas (Senior, Aberdeen, Scotland), Justin Wu (Lower, Concord, MA), and Pumi Maqubela (Lower, Andover, MA) were going toe-to-toe with Exeter's Eli Covington (Senior, Couer d'Alene, ID) and Ted Wolfson (Senior, Clifton Park, NY). The skillful Covington and Wolfson cover a ton of ground and the Andover midfield had their hands full all day.

Late in the first half, Andover reestablished some possession as they were able to keep Exeter off the board. It was nail-biting time for the Big Blue faithful as the clock moved toward halftime. In the 42nd minute, Andover earned its eighth corner of the contest (with Exeter having had only two.) From the left corner flag, TJ Thompson (Lower, Atkinson, NH) crossed the ball into the Exeter box where Steve Russell (Senior, Andover, MA) flicked it on. In a crowd, Kirk Lepke was Johnny-on-the-Spot as he collected Russell's redirection with his chest and the ball settled toward to his right foot. With one lethal swing, the ball forcefully hit the underside of the cross bar before exploding into the back of the net.

The second half was an end-to-end affair as the Exeter team worked hard to get the equalizer. The Andover back four tandem of David Sheldon (Senior, Andover, MA) Steve Russell, Carey Hynes (Senior, Chicago, IL), and Chris Walters defended well as they managed to keep the Big Red from mounting many serious threats. In the waning minutes of the game, Andover was able to hold the ball in Exeter's half to secure the win, Andover's tenth on the year. With the win, McManus' goal-against average moved to a stingy 0.79 goals/game and his save percentage moved to an impressive 84 percent. Kirk Lepke's goal was his fourth game winning goal of the year for the Big Blue. Now the team waits to hear from the tournament committee to see what's in store next. The tournament brackets are scheduled to be released Sunday evening, November 9.

Scoring: Andover- Kirk Lepke (Steve Russell, TJ Thompson) 42nd min.;
Saves: Andover 4 (Brendan McManus), Exeter 8 (Thomas Jenkins); Shots:
Andover 18, Exeter 8; Shots on Goal: Andover 10, Exeter 4; Corner Kicks:
Andover 11, Exeter 5; Fouls: Andover 13, Exeter 12; Offsides: Andover 1,
Exeter 0; Cautions: Andover 1 (TJ Thompson)

Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, Steve Russell, Brent Vale, Carey Hynes,
Chris Walters, David Sheldon, Justin Wu, Callum Thomas, Nate Scott, Kirk
Lepke, Michael Spiak

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DATE OF CONTEST: 11/5/03

OPPONENT: New Hampton School

WHERE PLAYED Andover (Graves Field)

RESULTS: 3-0

11/5/03

Varsity Soccer

Phillips Academy (9-3-2) 2 1 - 3

New Hampton School (4-9) 0 0 - 0

On Senior Day, the Big Blue boys soccer team posted another shutout victory, their seventh of the year, by beating the New Hampton Huskies 3-0 in Andover. On this cold and raw day, Callum Thomas (Senior, Aberdeen, Scotland) scored two first half goals, and TJ Thompson (Lower, Atkinson, NH) scored the final tally in the second stanza to account for the winning margin. The first goal came in the 31st minute when Thompson sent Thomas through alone. Once clear of the defense, Thomas hit a low blistering drive from 22 yards that the New Hampton goalie couldn't handle. The second goal came moments before halftime as Nate Scott (Upper, Andover, MA) found Thomas alone at the back post. Thomas' one-time volley found side netting giving Scott his team-leading seventh assist of the year. Thompson's goal came in the 81st minute. After receiving a pass from Justin Wu (Lower, Concord, MA), Thompson hit a low drive from outside the box that found its way through a pile of green-shirted defenders. The New Hampton goalie was screened and didn't have a chance.

Up next for the Big Blue is a talented Exeter squad that has only one defeat on the year. The Saturday morning contest kicks off at 10:30 AM in Exeter.

Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, Knef King, Carey Hynes, Brent Vale, Steve Russell, Chris Walters, Justin Wu, Callum Thomas, TJ Thompson, David Sheldon, Kirk Lepke

Scoring: Andover- Callum Thomas (TJ Thompson), 31st min., Callum Thomas (Nate Scott) 45th min., TJ Thompson (Justin Wu) 83rd min.; Saves: Andover 5 (Brendan McManus), New Hampton 14 (Leoman); Shots: Andover 24, New Hampton 7; Corners: Andover 9, New Hampton 1; Offsides: Andover 2, New Hampton 3

DATE OF CONTEST: 10/25/03

OPPONENT: Deerfield Academy

WHERE PLAYED Deerfield

RESULTS: 3-2 Win

10/25/03

TWO LATE GOALS PUSH THE BIG BLUE PAST DEERFIELD

Phillips Academy (7-3-2) 0 3 - 3

Deerfield Academy (5-3-3) 1 1 - 2

On Deerfield's Parents' Weekend, the Big Blue of Andover scored two goals in the last few minutes of play to seal a dramatic come-from-behind victory over a strong Deerfield Academy team. With the win, Andover's record improved to 7-3-2 (7-2-2 in NEPSA) with four contests on tap in the final two weeks of the regular season. Andover's two prep losses came against Choate (#1 in WNEPSA) and Brooks (#1 in the ISL) early in the 2003 campaign.

Deerfield got on the board first on a clever redirection of the ball that beat Andover's keeper Brendan McManus (Upper, North Andover, MA). The goal came in the fourth minute after Deerfield's Harry Ashworth won a ball at midfield and then made a quick pass behind Andover's back four which was met by the streaking Max Gotschall. Gotschall smartly chipped the ball over the onrushing McManus who was attempting to close space. The Andover team responded well to the deficit and began to have more success moving the ball forward while creating numerous goal scoring opportunities. As the half came to a close, the energized Andover team was pressing play and creating good chances. The Andover strike force of Callum Thomas (Senior, Aberdeen, Scotland), Mike Spiak (Lower, Andover, MA), and Kirk Lepke (Senior, North Andover, MA) had good looks at the Deerfield goal but each time Deerfield's keeper Killian Clarke was up to the challenge. After intermission, the Big Blue made some adjustments in their lineup to become more offensive minded. The strategy paid off in the 65th minute when Michael Spiak's one-time redirection of a pass from Chris Walters (Senior, Winslow, ME) found the back of the net. The first two goals of the contest were from long range as both goals were scored on clever redirections that caught each of the keepers off their lines. The score stood at one apiece with Andover pushing forward, pressing play, and Deerfield looking to launch counter attacks. Within two minutes, Deerfield's David Kim made good on a breakaway as the score moved to 2-1 in Deerfield's favor. This set the stage for the final twenty minute push as Andover committed more players forward in an attempt to get the equalizer. Andover's Callum Thomas joined Spiak and David Sheldon (Senior, Andover) across the top and the three forward setup immediately produced goal scoring opportunities. Ten minutes from time, a Thomas header sent Sheldon through the Deerfield defense as Sheldon's shot narrowly missed wide left. Moments later, Thomas turned in tight space and whistled the ball over the bar from twenty yards.

With Andover committing so many players forward, Deerfield had some chances of their own as they launched several dangerous counter attacks. In the final ten minutes, Andover goalie McManus came up with two big saves to keep the deficit at one. With three minutes to play, Thomas once again turned his defender and found a seam to shoot on goal. His blast from 16 yards was initially saved by the sprawling Deerfield keeper but he couldn't hang on and the ball squirted free. Panther-like, Spiak pounced on the rebound and smartly dished the ball across the goal mouth to Knif King (Senior, South Bend, IN) who slotted it home. King had made his run from the left fullback position and tucked the ball home from inside the six yard box knotting the score at 2-2. Rather than play for the tie, Andover kept the same formation for the final three-minute push in an attempt to win the game. The pace became more furious with Andover forcing play in Deerfield's end. A Deerfield foul led to a Big Blue free kick with less than a minute to play. Nate Scott (Upper, Andover, MA) took the kick from the right edge of the penalty box and swerved the ball into the congested Deerfield penalty box. In the sea of blue and green jerseys stood Andover's big redhead, Brent Vale (San Jose, CA). Vale went up in a crowd and forcefully headed home the game winner from short range. This was Vale's first goal of the season and it came with 45 seconds left on the field clock. In the final moments, Andover took on a more defensive posture to keep Deerfield at bay. The clock ran down giving the boys in blue their biggest victory of the year.

Up next for the Big Blue is a home contest against St. John's Prep. The kickoff is scheduled for 3:30 PM on Monday.

Scoring: Deerfield, Max Gottshall (Harry Ashworth) 4th min., David Kim (Ben Prime) 67th min.; Andover, Mike Spiak (Chris Walters) 65th min., Knif King (Spiak) 88th min., Brent Vale (Nate Scott) 90th min.; Saves: Andover 6 (Brendan McManus), Deerfield 10 (Killian Clarke); Shots: Andover 20, Deerfield 12; Corner Kicks: Andover 4, Deerfield 3; Fouls: Andover 7, Deerfield 13; Cards: None Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, David Sheldon, Steve Russell, Carey Hynes, Chris Walters, Callum Thomas, Pumi Maqubela, Justin Wu, TJ Thompson, Kirk Lepke, Mike Spiak

DATE OF CONTEST: 10/18/03

OPPONENT: Northfield-Mt. Hermon

WHERE PLAYED Andover

RESULTS: 1-0 Win

10/18/03

Late Goal Earns Boys Soccer a Victory Over NMH

Phillips Academy (6-3-1) 0 1 - 1

Northfield-Mt. Hermon (1-6-1) 0 0 - 0

In front of an enthusiastic Parents' Day crowd, the Big Blue of Andover dominated the Hoggies of Northfield-Mt. Hermon but struggled mightily to get the ball in the back of the net. With a 20-3 shot advantage, the Andover boys finally made one good in the 87th minute. With a free kick from just inside midfield, Co-Captain Carey Hynes (Senior, Chicago, IL) launched a 50-yard laser onto the path of Callum Thomas. With a deft flick of his head, Thomas redirected the ball into the goal. The NMH keeper had no chance as Thomas' header was hit with authority from inside the penalty spot; there was no time for the keeper to react. This was Thomas' team leading sixth goal of the year.

With the win, Andover's record improves to 6-3-1 (6-2-1 in NEPSAC). Next up for the Big Blue is a road game against the Penguins of Cushing. The game is scheduled to kickoff at 3:30 in Ashburnham, MA.

Scoring: Andover, Callum Thomas (Carey Hynes) 87th min.; Saves: Andover, Brendan McManus 2, NMH, L. Hodgkinson 7; Shots: Andover 20, NMH 3; Corners: Andover 3, NMH 1; Fouls: Andover 7, NMH 16; Offsides: Andover 3, NMH 2; Cards: Andover 0, NMH 1 Red Card Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, David Sheldon, Steve Russell, Carey Hynes, Chris Walters, Nate Scott, Justin Wu, Callum Thomas, TJ Thompson, Kirk Lepke, Michael Spiak NMH Starters: Hodgkinson, Naeff, Phillips, Sidorsky, Arahata, Adam, Galluzzo, Murata, Storrow, Vitt, Root

DATE OF CONTEST: 10/22/03

OPPONENT: Cushing Academy

WHERE PLAYED Cushing

RESULTS: 1-1 Tie

10/22/03

Boys Soccer Deadlocked With Cushing

Phillips Academy (6-3-2) 0 1 - 1

Cushing Academy (4-3-3) 1 0 - 1

The Andover boys' varsity soccer team traveled to Ashburnham, MA, to play the Purple Penguins of Cushing Academy and returned home with a 1-1 draw. The Penguins got on the board first in the 41st minute. An Andover foul near the corner of the penalty box gave the Penguins an opportunity to serve the ball into the danger zone. The resulting free kick was initially cleared but Cushing's forward, Woodford, collected the errant clearance and slotted the ball home from close range. The score stood 1-0 in Cushing's favor at halftime.

In the second half, the Big Blue came out quickly and took control of the game. Four minutes in, defensive midfielder Justin Wu (Lower, Concord, MA) collected an weak Cushing clearance, faked one way, went the other before blasting a long range shot that caught the Cushing keeper by surprise. Wu's shot from 28 yards out found the back of the net in a hurry and knotted the game at one apiece. This was Wu's first goal of the season. In the next 41 minutes, Andover had a decided advantage in possession, but the Cushing defense held firm.

Andover returns to action on Saturday against Deerfield. The away clash is scheduled to kickoff at 1:30 PM.

Goals: Cushing, Woodford 41st min.; Andover, Justin Wu 49th min.; Saves: Cushing 9 (Pepoli), Andover 1 (McManus)

DATE OF CONTEST: 10/11/03

OPPONENT: Bridgton Academy

WHERE PLAYED Bridgton

RESULTS: 2-0 Win

10/11/2003

Boys Soccer Blanks Bridgton

Phillips Academy (5-2-1) 2 0 - 2

Bridgton Academy (5-3-1) 0 0 - 0

On a glorious fall day at Bridgton, Maine, the Phillips Academy boys' varsity soccer team beat a feisty Bridgton team 2-0 to improve their record to 5-2-1. The boys in Blue got on the scoreboard early as Kirk Lepke (Senior, North Andover, MA) headed home a Nate Scott (Upper, Andover, MA) cross that beat the Bridgton goalie at the far post. This was Lepke's third goal of the campaign and his second game winning goal. In the next forty plus minutes, the Andover team controlled most of the play creating numerous goal scoring opportunities. Bridgton keeper James Thorpe was stellar in goal making some remarkable saves of point blank shots that looked destined for the back of the net. Finally in the forty-third minute, Co-Captain Carey Hynes (Senior, Chicago, IL) found wing back Steve Russell (Senior, Andover, MA) cruising the right flank. Steve collected the Hynes pass and then found Chris Walters (Senior, Winslow, ME) who was making a darting run at the back post. With precision and force, Walters one-timed the ball into the back of the net from close range. Thorpe had no chance this time and the scoreboard read 2-0 for Andover at the half. After intermission, the Bridgton team worked valiantly to get back in the game as they pushed players higher up the field. The Andover back four of Russell, Hynes, Brent Vale (Senior, San Jose, CA), and Walters withstood the challenge and kept the Wolverines at bay. By keeping Bridgton off the scoreboard, Andover goalie Brendan McManus (Upper, North Andover, MA) earned another shutout, his fourth of the year. Up next for the Big Blue is the Harvard University JV team scheduled for 3:30 PM on Wednesday in Andover.

Scoring: Andover, Kirk Lepke (Scott, Thomas) 1st min., Chris Walters (Russell, Hynes) 43rd min.; Saves: Andover, Brendan McManus 3; Bridgton, James Thorpe 12; Shots: Andover 20, Bridgton 3; Corner Kicks: Andover 12, Bridgton 0; Fouls: Andover 8, Bridgton 20; Offsides: Andover 0, Bridgton 2

Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, Steve Russell, Brent Vale, Carey Hynes, Chris Walters, Nate Scott, Justin Wu, Callum Thomas, Michael Spiak, Kirk Lepke, David Sheldon

Bridgton Starters: James Thorpe, Matt Smith, Ryan Cahill, Joseph Papallo, Chris Russo, Ben Stagle, Matt Sweitzer, James Kerrigan, Antoine Bell, Chris Angell, Nathan Getty

DATE OF CONTEST: 10/8/03

OPPONENT: Beaver Country Day

WHERE PLAYED Andover (Graves Field)

RESULTS: 6-2 Win

10/8/2003

Sheldon's Hat Trick Leads the Way For Boys Soccer

Phillips Academy (4-2-1) 2 4 - 6

Beaver Country Day 1 1 - 2

On a beautiful warm autumn afternoon in Andover, the boys' varsity soccer team rolled over Beaver Country Day School by the score of 6-2. The highlight of the game was David Sheldon's (Senior, Andover, MA) hat trick, the first hat trick of David's PA career. The other goals were scored by Michael Spiak (Lower, Andover, MA) who had two and Jason Zhu (Junior, Andover, MA) who notched the first goal of his Andover career. Up next for the Big Blue is Bridgton Academy. The away contest will kickoff at 4:30 PM on Saturday at Bridgton, ME.

Scoring: Andover, David Sheldon (Callum Thomas, Pumi Maqubela) 11th min., Michael Spiak 30th min., Sheldon 47th min., Sheldon (Nate Scott, Thomas) 59th min., Jason Zhu 74th min., Spiak 77th min.; Beaver CD, Courtney Weston 15th min., Ryan Polisero 77th min. Saves: Andover, David Wilkinson 3, Brendan McManus 1; Beaver CD, Jeremy Levine 6 Andover Starters: David Wilkinson, Steve Russell, Brent Vale, Carey Hynes, Chris Walters, Nate Scott, Justin Wu, Pumi Maqubela, Kirk Lepke, Callum Thomas, David Sheldon

DATE OF CONTEST: 10/4/03

OPPONENT: Choate Rosemary

WHERE PLAYED Andover Phelps Stadium Under the Lights

RESULTS: 4-1 Loss

10/4/2003

Choate Douses Boys Soccer

Phillips Academy (3-2-1) 0 1 - 1

Choate Rosemary Hall (5-0-0) 3 1 - 4

On this rainy evening under the lights of Phelps Stadium, the Wild Boars of Choate Rosemary Hall proved too tough an opponent for the Big Blue. With three first half goals, the visiting Choate team put the game out of reach at the intermission. All three goals were scored by the Choate captain, Patrick Phelan. To their credit, the Andover boys did regroup at halftime and played inspired soccer in the second half producing a slew of goal scoring opportunities. By the end of the game, the score sheet had Andover outshooting Choate by a 14-10 tally with corner kicks at two apiece. Late in the game, co-captain David Sheldon (Senior, Andover, MA) scored from a sharp angle with a driven ball that the Choate keeper couldn't handle. This was the first goal that Choate has given up in five games this season. On Wednesday, the Big Blue returns to action in a home contest against Beaver Country Day School. The kickoff is scheduled for 4 PM. Scoring: Choate, Patrick Phelan 29th min., Phelan (James Kadar) 39th min., Phelan 44th min. Dane Murphy 68th min.; Andover, David Sheldon 73rd min. Saves: Choate, Greg Shuman 8; Andover, Brendan McManus 2 Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, David Sheldon, Steve Russell, Brent Vale, Chris Walters, Nate Scott, Justin Wu, Pumi Maqubela, Kirk Lepke, Michael Spiak, Callum Thomas Choate Starters: Greg Shuman, Stephen Blunden, Jeffrey Ferraro, James Kadar, Tom McQueen, Dane Mellon, Spencer Gantsoudes, Benedict Fox, Alex Davidow, Dane Murphy, Patrick Phelan

DATE OF CONTEST: 10/01/03

OPPONENT: Moses Brown

WHERE PLAYED Andover

RESULTS: 5-0 Win

10/1/03

Boys Soccer Rolls Over Moses Brown

Phillips Academy (3-1-1) 2 3 - 5

Moses Brown School (1-5) 0 0 - 0

The Andover boys' soccer team improved to 3-1-1 by beating the Quakers of Moses Brown 5-0. The forward tandem of Michael Spiak (Lower, Andover, MA) and Callum Thomas (Senior, Aberdeen, Scotland) had two goals each and center midfielder Pumi Maqubela (Lower, Andover, MA) joined in with one goal of his own. These were Spiak's first two goals of the season which complement his four assists in previous games. Thomas now has five goals in as many games to lead the Big Blue in scoring. Joining goalie Brendan McManus (Upper, North Andover, MA) on the defensive end, the back four of Co-Capt. David Sheldon (Senior, Andover, MA), Stephen Russell (Senior, Andover, MA), Brent Vale (Senior, San Jose, CA), and Chris Walters (Senior, Winslow, ME) blanked the Quakers for their third straight shutout. McManus' goals against average has improved to 0.67. Next up for the Big Blue is perennial powerhouse Choate Rosemary Hall School. The undefeated Choate team comes to Andover on Saturday for a 6 PM kickoff at Phelps Stadium.

Andover Scoring: Michael Spiak (Chris Walters) 11th min., Pumi Maqubela (Nate Scott) 15th min., Spiak (Brent Vale, Scott) 60th min., Callum Thomas 63rd. min., Thomas; Saves: Andover, Brendan McManus 3; Moses Brown, Stephen Johnson 6 Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, David Sheldon, Stephen Russell, Brent Vale, Chris Walters, Nate Scott, Pumi Maqubela, Justin Wu, Kirk Lepke, Callum Thomas, Michael Spiak

DATE OF CONTEST: 9/27/03

OPPONENT: Tabor Academy

WHERE PLAYED Tabor

RESULTS: Andover 1 Tabor 0 Win

9/27/03

Boys Soccer Triumphs At Tabor

Phillips Academy (2-1-1) 0 1 - 1

Tabor Academy (3-3) 0 0 - 0

In a spirited contest with plenty of end-to-end action, the Andover boys' soccer team outlasted a determined Tabor team to notch its' second victory of the young season. In this nail-biting affair, there were more twists and turns than a Grisham novel. While Andover had the clear edge in shots, 25-13, and corner kicks, 4-0, the Seawolves forced play in the Andover box on many occasions. Andover goalie Brendan McManus (Upper, North Andover, MA) was forced to make several key saves but it was Co-Captain David Sheldon (Senior, Andover, MA) and Knief King (Senior, South Bend, IN) who saved the day. Twice Tabor had McManus beat with shots that were headed for pay dirt but Sheldon and King were there to clear the ball off the goal line just in time to preserve the shutout, Andover's second of the year. In the first half, the Big Blue had most of the play. Nate Scott (Upper, Andover, MA) and Sheldon were having their way on the right flank playing dangerous balls into the Tabor box. But the finishing touches were off target and the Tabor gang gained strength and confidence with each passing minute. Toward the end of the first stanza, Tabor began to string some passes together and the Big Blue were on their heels heading into intermission.

In the second half, Andover finally scored what turned out to be the game's only goal. Steve Russell (Senior, Andover, MA) won the ball at midfield and found Nate Scott cruising up the right flank. Scott calmly collected the ball before serving to the streaking Callum Thomas (Senior, Aberdeen, Scotland) deep in the Tabor penalty box. With a Tabor defender all over his back, Thomas laid the ball back to Kirk Lepke (Senior, North Andover, MA). In full stride, Lepke one-timed it into the Tabor goal. This was Lepke's first game winning goal of the season and his second overall. Next up for the Big Blue is Moses Brown. The home contest is scheduled to kickoff on Wednesday at 3:30 PM.

Scoring: Andover, Kirk Lepke (Callum Thomas, Nate Scott) 73rd min. Saves: Andover, Brendan McManus 6; Tabor, John Burns 11 Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, David Sheldon, Steve Russell, Brent Vale, Chris Walters, Nate Scott, Justin Wu, Pumi Maqubela, Kirk Lepke, Michael Spiak, Callum Thomas

Tabor Starters: John Burns, Kevin Regan, Matt Lee, Nate Merrill, Adam Joyce, Dan Maturi, Travis Dempsey, Hunter Nadler, Brian Kolb, Pete Lenes, Brendan Integlia

DATE OF CONTEST: 9/24/03

OPPONENT: Holderness School

WHERE PLAYED Holderness

RESULTS: ~~2-0~~ 4-0 Win

Boys Soccer Kicks Holderness 4-0

Phillips Academy (1-1-1) 3 1 - 4

Holderness School (1-2) 0 0 - 0

The Phillips Academy Boys' Varsity Soccer Team got their first win of the 2003 campaign on the road at Holderness School. The Big Blue controlled play from the opening whistle and avenged last year's 2-0 loss to the Bulls. The score was 4 - 0.

The first two goals came off the foot of Callum Thomas (Senior, Aberdeen, Scotland) who converted two Michael Spiak (Lower, Andover, MA) passes in the middle of the first half. While these were Thomas' second and third goals on the season, Spiak has assisted on four of Andover's six goals in Andover's first three games. Brent Vale (Senior, San Jose, CA) had the second assist on the first goal, marking Brent's first point of the young season. In the 37th min., the ninth-grade dynamo AJ Charles (Junior, Baltimore, MD) intercepted a Holderness clearance and notched his first Andover goal. From short range and with precision, AJ laced the ball into side netting. In the second half, Spiak assisted on the final goal of the contest as he sent TJ Thompson (Lower, Atkinson, NH) through in the 50th minute for his first goal of the year.

The back four had a stellar performance as David Sheldon (Senior, Andover, MA), Steve Russell (Senior, Andover, MA), Brent Vale (Senior, San Jose, CA), and Chris Walters (Senior, Winslow, ME) kept the Bulls at bay, allowing only one shot on goal in the 90 minutes. The lone Andover save came in the second half as reserve keeper David Wilkinson (Upper, Rowayton, CT) got his first minutes in the varsity goal. Along with Brendan McManus (Upper, North Andover, MA), the Big Blue goaltending duo notched their first shutout of the season.

Next up for the Big Blue is the Tabor Seawolves. The away contest is scheduled to kickoff at 2:30 PM on Saturday in Marion, MA. Scoring: Callum Thomas (Mike Spiak, Brent Vale) 21st min., Thomas (Spiak) 25th min., AJ Charles 37th min., TJ Thompson (Spiak) 50th min.; Saves: Andover, Brendan McManus 0, David Wilkinson 1; Holderness, Fred Hall 8, Andy Murison 6

Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, David Sheldon, Steve Russell, Brent Vale, Chris Walters, Nate Scott, Justin Wu, TJ Thompson, Kirk Lepke, Callum Thomas, Michael Spiak Holderness Starters: Fred Hall, Peter Vucich, Adam Pettitt, Chris Talbert, Justin Simon, Jamie Leake, Orane Gordan, Chris Curran, Seth Aronson, Kevin Berry, Erik Hood

DATE OF CONTEST: 9/20/03

OPPONENT: Loomis Chaffee

WHERE PLAYED Andover

RESULTS: 2-2 Tie

9/20/03

Late Goal Earns Boys Soccer an Important Tie With Loomis

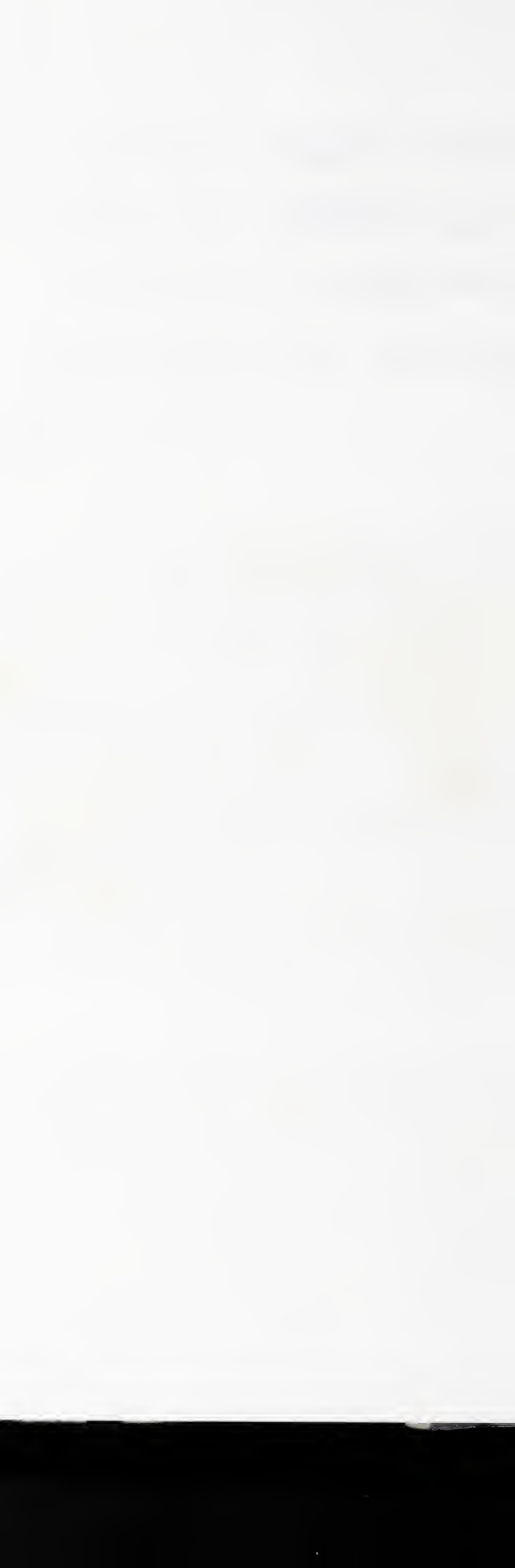
Phillips Academy (0-1-1) 0 2 - 2

Loomis Chaffee (2-0-1) 0 2 - 2

In dramatic fashion, the Phillips Academy boys' varsity soccer scored the tying goal in the 90th minute to tie Loomis Chaffee School in Andover. Callum Thomas (Senior, Aberdeen, Scotland) collected a long pass from Captain David Sheldon (Senior, Andover, MA) at the top of the box and then calmly placed a clever chip over the outstretched arms of the onrushing Loomis Chaffee goalie. The goal came with 34 seconds remaining on the clock.

After a relatively even first half, the boys in Blue began to take control of the game in the second half. It was the center midfield trio of Pumi Maqubela (Lower, Andover, MA), TJ Thompson (Lower, Atkinson, NH), and Justin Wu (Lower, Concord, MA) that asserted constant pressure on their Loomis opponents. With the midfield in control, the Andover team started to push forward creating lots of good chances up front. But Loomis was able to capitalize on an Andover careless pass and with a quick counter Loomis' Matt Carlson outran the Andover defense before slotting the game's first goal. The score came in the 63rd minute. While Andover had the territorial edge, Loomis had a goal in hand and it was Andover that was forced to push forward. The tactic paid off as Knef King (Senior, South Bend, IN) served a long ball to Callum Thomas who chested it down. After an ensuing scrum, the ball popped out to Kirk Lepke (Senior, North Andover, MA). In stride, Lepke hit a rocket into the top right corner from 18 yards out. The stunned Loomis keeper did not react as the ball exploded into the back of the net in a heartbeat. With the game knotted at one apiece, it was another Andover miscue that led to Loomis' second goal. In similar fashion, a Loomis forward broke free at the back and outran two Andover defenders before slotting home what looked to be the decisive goal.

While Andover led in shots taken (19-9), shots on goal (8-5), and corner kicks (5-1), it was Loomis that was on top 2-1 on the scoreboard. It looked bleak as time was running out until Sheldon and Thomas produced the dramatic game-tying goal in the last minute of the contest. Next up for the Big Blue is an away contest at Holderness School in New Hampshire. The kickoff is scheduled for 3:30 PM. Scoring: LC, Matt Carlson, 63rd min; PA, Kirk Lepke, 68th min; LC, 78th min; PA, Callum Thomas (David Sheldon), 90th min.; Saves: LC, Joe Barresi, 6; PA, Brendan McManus, 3 Andover Starters: Brendan McManus, David Sheldon, Stephen Russell, Brent Vale, Chris Walters, Kirk Lepke, Justin Wu, Callum Thomas, Nate Scott, TJ Thompson, Mike Spiak Loomis Starters: Joe Barresi, Tom Critz, Gavin Moseley, Jon Bellock, Spencer Vinal, Tyler Casertano, Javier Mario, Shane Douglas, Matt Carlson, Nick Guiliano, Jay Thornhill



THE BREAKDOWN: BOYS SOCCER

by Brendan McManus
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Chris Walters '04 - Left Midfield



Andover welcomed Chris Walters '04 from the woods of Maine this fall. A very talented and dedicated player, Walters is able to use both feet and play all over the field. He has been used in the left back and left midfield position this season in order to utilize his lethal left foot. He can make a crisp pass and dribble around defenders, shooting down the left flank with blazing speed. Last Saturday he drove home the most beautiful goal of the year, perfectly blasting a flighted cross with his right foot into the back of the net. This Saturday, we can surely expect the same sort of brilliant play from Walters.

Kirk Lepke '04 - Forward



The play of Kirk Lepke '04 has been one of the best surprises of the year. Lepke has become a 90-minute offensive assassin. Playing midfield and up front, Lepke is a nightmare for opposing defenders, not only for his tenacious play and skill with both feet, but also for his defense. For him, any sloppy defender will be buried and burned in an instant, and that is the sort of play that can make a difference in a game. In the end, that is all Lepke is: a humble, hustling teammate that makes a difference in the game, someone who will fight for you and for the team.

Andover Offense:

The Andover attack is locked and loaded. International postgraduate and leading scorer Callum Thomas '04 leads the Blue offensive charge with Mike Spiak '06, who has the most assists and overall points. Flanking these two powerful weapons are hustler Kirk Lepke '04, talented newcomer Chris Walters '04, and captain Dave Sheldon '04.

Andover Defense:

Call them a Chevy Truck, because the Andover defense is like a rock. Year after year, the Blue back four are always one of the best in NE, and this year is no different. Led by the inspirational Carey Hynes '04, the defense is stable and confident. Brent Vale '04 joins Hynes in the middle, while Steve Russell '04 rules the right side, and the left footed tandem of Walters and Knef King '04 own the left. These boys are the heartbeat of the team, and their intelligence and hard work allow keeper Brendan McManus '05 to calmly cover the goal. Indeed, when the Andover defense is on their game, it is a cold, lonely day for any opposing striker.

Northfield Mount Hermon:

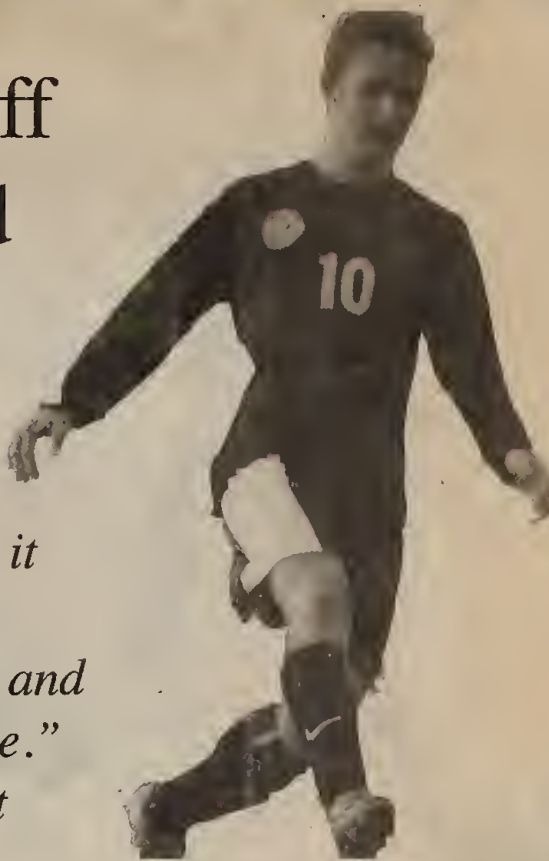
In years past, NMH has always put together a potent attack. This year is a different story. NMH has only been able to score two goals in six games, going 0-5-1 in their first six games. Needless to say, two goals in six games is a sign of a struggling offense. However, their struggles have come at the hands of teams such as Loomis Chaffee, Hotchkiss, and Wilbraham Monson, all very strong opponents. Thus, this is not a team to take lightly. NMH defense, like their offense, has not been of the caliber of years past. Just like the offense, the PA soccer team must assume that the numbers do not reflect the true quality of the NMH defense. Surely, they too will come ready to play on Saturday.



THE BREAKDOWN: BOYS SOCCER

PA Soccer to Face Off Against Undefeated Choate Wild Boars

BY ALISON MURPHY



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Andover Offense: Thus far in 2003, the Andover offense has been explosive. The Boys powered their way back into the game against Loomis, coming from behind to earn a 2-2 tie. The team continued by shutting out Holderness 4-0 and Tabor 1-0, proving that the Andover forwards are really something to talk about. With their dominant play thus far, the players are confident that they can tackle Choate's defense and end the Wild Boar's perfect season. New senior Callum Thomas '04 said, "I think we can expect to win against Choate. It's a big game—a tough one—but we're quite confident. We need a win and we're quite confident we're going to get it."

Andover Defense: Andover defense is confident that they have what it takes to keep Choate from netting goals. Having shut out their last two opponents, the defense has definitely mastered the art of working together. Fullback Nate Kellogg '05 said, "Our defense is strong, and we're starting to work well together. Its coming together for us, so we don't fear anyone." Brendan McManus '05, who has the best view of the defense from his spot in net, said of the defensive line, "They make my job infinitely easier. I work hard because they save my butt all the time. It's an honor to play behind them."

Choate Offense: Choate's offense has yet to be matched. Having already scored four goals in each of their home games against Kent and Westminster, Choate's offense has begun quite strong. Tonight's game however provides a different setting as Choate travels to Andover to play tonight under the lights of Phelps Stadium, giving PA the home field advantage.

Choate Defense: Choate's defense looks to be one of the strongest aspects of their program, and while PA remains confident, Choate's defensive skills should not be overlooked. With both of their wins coming from shut-out games, the Choate defense is geared up to give PA a real hard time. Choate has not yet been scored upon this year, and it is up to Andover to take the initiative to end Choate's winning spree and demolish the morale of the their defensive line.

GAME TIME - 6:00 UNDER THE LIGHTS

The Faces of Andover Boys Soccer

**Brendan
McManus
'05 - Goalie**

Stand out upper goalie McManus starts his second season as the starting goalie for the Varsity team. His quickness and size prove valuable to the team, and he is already racking in the

aves. Teammate Brent Vale '04 described his goalie. "McManus is coming out strong." Vale said, "We've shut out Tabor and Holderness, and this season is looking good."



**Callum
Thomas '04
- Midfielder**

PA expects big things from its Scottish one-year senior. Thomas brings power to the Big Blue's young mid-field. Coach Bill Scott, who is excited about Thomas being on the squad this fall, said, "He's a very talented soccer player. He's played at a really high level, and he brings maturity to the team, and that's something that's going to be very helpful. He reads the game better than anyone, and we're lucky to have him."



**David
Sheldon '04
- Full Back**

A leader on the field, Co-captain Sheldon is known for his speed and his talent as a full back. Having both the soccer experience and skill to support the team, he is an asset to a team that prides itself on its depth of underclassmen. Sheldon has four years of Andover Varsity Soccer experience to bring to some of the younger players. Coach Scott said of his co-Captain, "David Sheldon is a speedster who plays up the right side. He can get behind a defensive line in a hurry. He's dangerous to the other team, and that adds a lot of excitement."



**Carey
Hynes '04 -
Center Back**

Hoping to make his comeback debut this Saturday is Co-captain Carey Hynes '04. A leader in all aspects of the game, the team looks forward to Hynes's skills being put back to use. Teammate Brent Vale '04 said "I think were all waiting for Carey to come back. It'll be great to see what he's like to come back." To a team that prides itself on its strong defense, Hynes has been a staple player on the Andover side of the field. Coach Scott said, "We can't wait to get Hynes back. He's a tough competitor and our best defensive player. He's been training really hard, and as soon as he's cleared for contact, he's in there."



Andover Boys Soccer Ties Loomis, Pounds Holderness

by Brendan McManus

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The boys welcomed Loomis Chaffee with growing confidence.



After thoroughly outplaying a powerful Brooks team in the second half of their opener, the same sort of brilliant play carried over to Saturday. Led by Justin Wu '06, TJ Thompson '06 and Callum Thomas '04, the Blue controlled play from the opening whistle. The boys dominated play, yet could not put the first goal of the season away in the first half. Loomis, who barely had a chance to shoot, went scoreless as well.

The second period was similar to the first: the ball found its way into the Loomis half and stayed there as Andover controlled the game. The scoring started in the middle of the second half as a Loomis striker beat the left side of the defense, lunged around Keeper Brendan McManus '05 and slid a dribbling shot towards the goal. 1-0 Loomis.

However, Andover answered that goal with a beauty of their own as Mike Spiak '06 laid a flighted ball by Knef King '04 at the top of the box back to Kirk Lepke '04, who drilled it into the upper-right corner with a spectacular strike.

Andover's control of the game had finally paid off with their first goal of the season, but they would soon have to work even harder. For, with about fifteen minutes left in the game, a Loomis striker stole the ball on the left side and raced towards the Blue goal, this time driving a fine shot into the side netting. 2-1 Pelicans. Loomis celebrated as Andover's chances looked bleak. But, just as last year's horrible start turned into a spectacular finish, the boys' roller-coaster ride with Loomis ended in dramatic and glorious fashion.

After that second goal, the Pelicans had no more chances to score. Loomis fell back on their heels for the last fifteen minutes just as they had before, watching Andover dominate play.

With 34 seconds left, the boys received what looked to be one last, hopeless chance when Captain Dave Sheldon '04 drilled a long pass towards the Loomis goal. Then, as if it were a plan out of a playbook, Russell found his way beneath it and flicked it on perfectly to Thomas at the top of the Loomis box. Finding the Loomis keeper charging towards him, Thomas lofted the ball high into the air and over the keeper.

When it finally came down, his "teardrop from heaven" splashed into the back of the net. Tie game.

The remaining 30 seconds ended in controversy. With no time left on the clock, a Loomis defender threw Thomas to the ground right in front of his own box. Thomas, who practices shots like those every day, lined the free kick up for the possible game-winner.

Nevertheless, he could only stand amazed as the referee blew the final whistle before he could take the shot. Some wondered how a referee could end the game on a penalty and not give Thomas a shot, yet it was his final decision.

After that classic battle with Loomis, the team drove up on Wednesday to take on Holderness, a team that sported highly touted and heavily recruited goalkeeper Freddy Hall, one of the best high school goalies in the nation. However, no national quality keeper or any other Holderness player had a chance of stopping the Blue this day.

From the start, Thomas led the team from the striker position, drilling two past Hall early in the first half. He deftly settled two balls in front of him in the Holderness box and smoked them both into the top-left corner of the net as Mr. Hall could only stand and watch.

Freshman sensation AJ Charles made it 3-0 before half-time with his first varsity goal, sending a beautiful finish into the side netting and ultimately crushing the Holderness spirits. Thompson made it 4-0 in the opening minutes of the second half, slotting home a loose ball that squirted free inside the Holderness box. By then, Hall had already been pulled and Holderness had given up.

The contest ended 4-0 Andover, earning the Blue their first win of the season. Not only that, but the Blue defense recorded their first shutout, and what a shutout it was. The Blue backs allowed only one legitimate shot on goal in 90 minutes, completely destroying any inkling of a Holderness attack.

The keeper team of McManus and Dave Wilkinson '05, who played his first varsity minutes in the second half, touched the ball a total of five times combined. Call it what you want, but hammering the team that kept you out of the postseason last year is nothing short of a statement game, and a strong one at that. "It was a must win for us," said Coach Scott, "and we got the job done."

Big Blue Soccer Defeats Tabor; Lepke '04 Scores Winning Goal

by Brendan McManus
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Tabor	0
Andover	5
Moses Brown	0

Heading into last week, the boys' soccer team knew their next



two games were ones they had to win. If their dreams of a deep postseason run were to be realized, the Blue simply had to be

able to beat teams like Tabor and Moses Brown. As Nate Scott '05 put it, "This is what they call a must-win." Coach Scott echoed his son, but reminded his team it would not be easy. "We gotta have it," he said. "We have to get a result here. You're going to have to work hard, but you just have to get it done."

The boys got it done. And just as Coach Scott had said, it sure wasn't easy, especially since the match was at Tabor. As Steve Russell '04 said, "The game was a constant heart attack." Though the Blue did supply a few heart attacks for their coaches and reserves, they came out with a win all the same.

In a true battle from end to end, a spirited Tabor team welcomed Andover to their home turf and fought till the last whistle. The home team hustle made a game that was dominated by the Blue into a nail-biter of a contest. Though Andover outshot the Seawolves 25-13, Andover squandered several opportunities while the Tabor keeper made some ridiculous saves, resulting in scoreless tie deep into the second half. In fact, Tabor would have taken the lead had it not been for the play of Knef King '04 and Co-captain Dave Sheldon '04. Both saved a Tabor shot on the goal line and drilled it out to safety, and no one was more thankful than keeper Brendan McManus '05.

After that, Andover retook the game thanks to the hard work of players like Justin Wu '06, Russell and Callum Thomas '04, all searching frantically for a go-ahead goal. As the boys continued to fire shots at the Tabor goal, Coach Scott inspired his players from the sidelines. "You have to believe," he said. "Believe in each other and believe in the system and it will come. It will come." Sure enough, the goal came, and what a

sweet goal it was.

On a quick restart, Russell sent a brilliant ball from midfield down the right side to the feet of Nate Scott '05, who then found the ever-dangerous Thomas inside the Tabor box. As all the Tabor defenders rushed to jump on Thomas, he deftly laid it back to a wide-open Kirk Lepke '04, who hammered home his second goal of the season. The boys erupted and never looked back, finally breathing easy as the final whistle sounded, 1-0 Blue.

Andover had no such trouble on Wednesday at home against Moses Brown. The Blue owned the game for the entire 90 minutes as the visitors never had a real chance to score. Andover, on the other hand, had no problem finding the back of the net. The scoring started in the first half with a powerful finish from Mike Spiak '06, who scored the his first goal of the year after assisting on almost all of the Blue's tallies so far this season.

It wasn't long until Pumi Maqubela '06 made it 2-0, heading home a beautiful cross from Scott into the top left corner of the net. The score stayed at 2-0 until half-time, during which the boys vowed to step it up a notch in the second half and put Moses Brown away. True to their words, Andover ran their guests into the ground in the final 45 minutes. Andover quickly went up 3-0 in the opening minutes of the second half as Spiak drilled another shot from close range past the helpless Moses Brown keeper, recording

his second goal of the season and of the game.

The final 30 minutes belonged to the tandems of Brent Vale '04 and Russell, the center backs, and Wu and Maqubela, the center midfielders, who combined to control the center of the field. Up front, Thomas decided to take the game into his own hands.

Thomas began his barrage by settling a ball on the right side of the field and beating two defenders to the left, flying past them both and finishing with a brilliant strike with his left foot into the back of the net. He did it again in the closing minutes of the game, this time cutting straight through the heart of the Moses Brown defense with the greatest of ease before calmly slotting the ball past the baffled keeper. As time expired, the scoreboard read 5-0 in Andover's favor, earning the Blue their third straight shutout and improving their record to 3-1-1.

On Saturday, Andover will take on Choate at home under the lights of Phelps Stadium. The first night game for boys' soccer in three years, the game promises to be a classic, clashing of two powerhouse schools at the top of their games. The Blue also anxiously await the return of Co-captain and starting center back Carey Hynes '04, who has been out with a fractured foot. The team hopes he will be cleared to play on Saturday for the rest of the season. If he is, watch out Choate, and watch out New England.



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Brent Vale '04 carefully dribbles the ball upfield during Wednesday's shutout victory over Moses Brown.



Andover Boys Soccer Defeats Exeter, Taft

by Brendan McManus
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Andover	1
Exeter	0
Andover	5
Taft	3

For most of Andover, fall sports are over. The fall athletes have gone back to their dorms, gone to the warmth of the Borden Gym to play basketball, hockey or squash; fall is all but forgotten. But somewhere down Academy Hill, through the cold mists of mid-November, a few boys are still outside, guys who have been together since late August, working together so they might achieve their goal to be the best in New England. Now, the boys' soccer team is still playing, 90 minutes away from a

spot in the New England Championship game.

It has been a long, fantastic ride, but, as Coach Bill Scott said, "We've still got bigger fish to fry." Nevertheless, this past week has not been too bad either. On Andover/Exeter Saturday, the Blue turned the much-hyped game for into a simple, strong statement, one that resounded throughout New England that Andover was coming with confidence.

With everything on the line in this storied rivalry, both teams were fired up despite the freezing cold. The jitters of big game nerves and cold weather chills chattered the teeth and pumped warm adrenaline through Blue and Red alike as the opening whistle pierced the morning air. On the kickoff, Mike Spiak '06 played the

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Mike Spiak '06 dashes down the field, around the flurrying Exeter defenders, towards the net.



Soccer Rallies, Downing Taft In First Round

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ball back to Callum Thomas '04, who drilled a pass into the right corner for Co-captain Dave Sheldon '04, who collected it and sent a shot that sailed just wide of the Exeter goal. Though no goal was scored, the opening play sent a clear message that the Andover boys were here to play, and here to win.

The Blue controlled play from the start as Justin Wu '06 and Pumi Maqubela '06 dominated Exeter's central midfielders all day long. Spiak ran through the Red defense like a hot knife through butter, playing one of his best games of the year as Exeter defenders appeared to be moving in slow motion. The Blue fired on goal time after time, sending their shots just wide or forcing the Red keeper to make a couple good saves. Yet, for most of the first half, the boys couldn't put one away. In fact, Andover was inches from finding itself down 1-0. Maybe they were lucky, maybe the wind blew in their favor, or maybe keeper Brendan McManus '05 had prayed extra hard that day, but Andover felt its heart in its throat as one of the few Exeter shots deflected off a Blue defender and rolled across the goal mouth, banging off the far post and allowing the Blue faithful to breathe a sigh of relief.

Other than that, the ball remained in Exeter's half. As Thomas, TJ Thompson '06 and Nate Scott '05 led the push up field, an Andover goal seemed inevitable.

"It's gonna come! It's gonna come right here!" said Coach Scott from the sidelines as the boys lined up for a corner kick with less than three minutes to go in the half. Naturally, when Coach says it is coming, somehow it always does. Thompson drove the ball to the far post to the head of Steve Russell '04, who set it down for Lepke to smash to top self of the back of the net. Coach Scott was not surprised.

With a 1-0 lead, the game was theirs to win, and the back four took care of the rest. For the last 45 minutes, Chris Walters '04, Carey Hynes '04, Russell and Sheldon turned away any chance of tying the game, tightening the noose and dropping the board on Exeter's season.

Quietly, Andover dominated the second half, walking out of the cold Red air and into the warm, gorgeous confines of Loomis Chafee and the New England Championship Tournament.

Hopping on a bus at 11 AM and riding two hours from home, the Blue met Taft Academy at Loomis for the opening round of the tournament. Coming in as the #3 seed, Taft finished the regular season with a 12-2-3 record, including wins over second ranked Choate Rosemary Hall and fifth ranked Loomis Chafee. Andover, 9-2-2 on the season, came loaded with one of the best defenses in the region as well, so this one promised to be a hard fought, ugly, pitcher's-duel of a game. Well, that was how it was supposed to be anyway.

In the first twenty minutes, Andover moved with uncharacteristic indecision, acting more nervous than aggressive and playing not to screw up rather than playing to win. As a result, the Blue lacked their customary flare and communication, leading to early problems. Ten minutes in, a Taft forward broke through the right side and quickly finished with a right footed strike to the far post to seize a 1-0 lead. Back on their heels, Andover remained lost, not performing to the level they knew they could reach. Ten minutes later, it took a second goal from a close open shot from the left side to wake up the boys, who finally opened their eyes to find themselves down 2-0 against best defense in New England, a prospect that even worried Coach Scott. "Coach Carr and I were already talking about moving to a 4-3-3 or a 3-4-3 [from a 4-4-2 for-

mation] just to try to go down swinging. Then, all of a sudden it was 2-1 and 2-2, and we were right back in the thick of things."

Of course, whoever said their season was over never told Andover. For, as soon as he and Coach Carr were ready to send out extra forwards, Coach Scott watched Mike Spiak send a strike towards the Taft goal that hit one of the TA defenders, who tried to clear it out but ended up driving it off his own post and just over his goal line. Only moments later, Spiak was at it again, heading home a bouncing ball from a few yards out, tying the game in inexplicable fashion. However, with only moments to go in the first half, Taft stopped the Blue in its tracks with a bang. Driving down the right side, a TA midfielder struck a low cross near the top of the Andover box, falling to the feet of a streaking striker to smacked it one-time on a line into the left corner of the net.

Taft rejoiced as Andover took an uppercut to the chin just before the bell sounded the end of round one. Stumbling back to their corner, the boys sat down together at halftime for what they hoped wouldn't be the last time. Though they still trailed, the Blue looked at each other and knew they could do it. After all, it's not like it hadn't been done, well, five times before (That is Loomis, Tabor, NMH, Cushing, and, of course, Deerfield). Coach Scott made sure it would happen again.

"You guys are so good," said Scott, "I have all the confidence in the world in you guys. So go out there and play with confidence. Go win this damn thing."

And so they did.

From the opening bell of round two, the Andover Blue fired away, dishing out blow after blow to the suddenly struggling Taft defense, which began to fall apart. Ten minutes in, Thompson landed the tying punch with a left footed strike from close range, finishing a loose ball in front of the net to get

the Blue rolling, and they never looked back. Lepke followed Thompson's shot with a blast of his own, scoring a carbon copy of his game-winning, top-self drive against Exeter to give his team an improbable lead. From there, co-captains Hynes and Sheldon held down the fort with Russell, Walters and McManus to shut out Taft in the second half, riding a knockout punch by Spiak with 20 minutes to go to all but seal the victory. Shocked and staggering, Taft fell, giving up the same amount of goals in one game as they had all year. As the final seconds ticked away, the scoreboard off in the distance shone through the approaching darkness and settling mist, displaying a result for all New England to see. Andover 5, Taft 3, catapulting the Blue into the New England Prep School Semifinals at Andover on Saturday afternoon against Belmont Hill, who had toppled #2 seeded Choate 1-0 earlier in the day, for the right to play in the NEPSA Finals.

So come, stop by. There are still two fish left to fry. As Coach Carr said, "Where the hell else would you rather be?"

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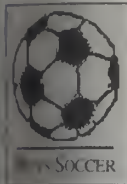
Callum Thomas '04 angles the ball around his Deerfield foe, pushing up the field towards the Blue goal. Andover Boys Soccer downed the Big Green 3-2 after a heroic comeback in the closing minutes in Deerfield.

Soccer Rallies Against Deerfield

by Brendan McManus
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Andover 3
Deerfield 2

The story of the Boys Varsity Soccer team has, once again, become hazardous to human health. Though this roller coaster season has already added



many gray hairs and weakened more than a few hearts for the coaching staff, parents and fans, the ride is not over yet for the Andover Blue. In fact, before last Saturday, it had only just begun.

Before a sea of green supporters on Parents' Weekend at Deerfield, the game had all the makings of a classic.

Last year, Andover and Deerfield trudged through a

swampy field in monsoon conditions on Andover's Parents Weekend to wage one of the best battles in recent memory.

When the final whistle blew, Deerfield, ranked #1 in New England at the time, found themselves driving 2+ hours back home soaked in cold rain, covered in mud, and enveloped in grief.

Thanks to a majestic header through the New England wind and rain from Nick Franchot '03 in the 78th minute, the underdog Blue shocked Deerfield with an unthinkable victory, a game that propelled Andover to a 9-0-2 finish in their best season since the God-sent 17-0 team of 2001.

This year, Andover arrived with a 6-2-2 record to take on the big green of Deerfield, who sported a 5-2-3 mark.

With each team ranked high in its respective NEPSA division, Andover in the east and Deerfield in the west, the clash

had serious postseason implications.

Not only was this game a preview of a tournament match in mid-November, but this game could also be the difference in whether each team got to the tournament at all.

A win for either side would attach a quality victory to its resume, a result that usually carries weight and isn't overlooked by the tournament committee, except of course for last year.

So, with their seasons on the line, Andover and Deerfield squared off once again.

After falling on the short end of the epic performance at Andover last year, Deerfield came out with revenge on their minds. Andover and Deerfield traded blow for blow in the first few moments, yet the fired up Deerfield attack was able to draw first blood less than five minutes into the game.

After a through ball bounced

its way to the top of the Andover box, a Deerfield forward struck it off sliding keeper Brendan McManus '05, who could only watch as it deflected high off of his legs, bounding behind him and into the goal. The field and stands were enflamed with Green shouts while Andover was left green with envy as the scoreboard read 1-0, in favor of Deerfield. Despite the score, the first blow ignited the Blue, who took over the game from there.

Co-captain Carey Hynes '04 and Steve Russell '04 locked up the back, while Pumi Maqubela '06 won ball after ball in the center of the park while playing

one of his best games in an Andover uniform.

Behind Maqubela lurked Justin Wu '06, the best defensive central midfielder in New England. Any Deerfield attacker who thought otherwise was quickly enlightened by Wu's lightening fast feet and unstoppable motor.

Alongside him ran TJ Thompson '06, who has shined since coming back from injury, and in front ran Callum Thomas '04, the greatest thing since Igor Echave '03.

The Boys in Blue worked together and fought hard for

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05 struggles to control the ball in last Saturday's at Deerfield.

Valley Centers in McCall '04

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SPORTS ASSOCIATE

come out ahead, but it seem that in

Boys Soccer Kicks By DA

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each other for the remainder of the first half, creating a slew of great chances, but no goal to show for it. At the half, Andover trailed 1-0.

With their dreams of the postseason 45 minutes from slipping away, one would think the team would be anxious just like any other team.

However, this is not just any team. This team walked to the sidelines with fire in their eyes, their mouths blazing. "We will win this game." In fact, Coach Scott found his team saying and doing all the right things; the only wrong was what read on the scoreboard. "Give everything you've got," said Coach. "you just gotta do it. Believe in it and it will come boys, it will come." As everyone knows, whenever Coach Scott says "it will come," it always comes. This time, once again, was no different.

Twenty minutes into the second half, Mike Spiak '06 knotted the game at 1-1, deftly touching an incoming ball around and past the approaching Big Green goalkeeper. However, two minutes later, the green empire struck back, bringing a forward behind the Andover defense down the left side and watching him smoke a left footed strike inside the far post to make it 2-1.

The sky bled green with a bitter, vengeful glow as Deerfield celebrated further up field. The heavens faded from Blue to rising gray and with each passing minute it grew even darker, the color that is left when love and joy are sucked from the air.

For twenty more minutes, Andover's season ticked away and was taken off by the afternoon breeze. One would think it was over. One would think that it was time to get back on the bus and accept a deserved fate after what happened a year before. One would think that

trying to come back against the #3 team in western New England in four minutes time is utterly hopeless.

Then there was Coach Scott. "Come on guys! It's gonna happen! You gotta believe in it! It's gonna happen!"

And so it happened.

With Thomas pushed forward to join Spiak and Dave Sheldon '04 up top, Andover drove every ball towards the Deerfield goal, hoping their prayers would be answered.

As the sky lightened up and the Blue came back into view, Thomas ripped a shot at the Deerfield goal that rebounded to the feet of Spiak, who slid it across the goalmouth to Knef King '04 flying down the left flank.

With just a touch he slotted it home, tying the game once again. Yet, rather than celebrate an improbable tie, King ran back up the field with one thing on his mind: the win.

"That's not enough!" King shouted, "We gotta get another! One more!" And just as Coach's words had come true, so did King's.

With less than a minute left in regulation, Nate Scott '05 drilled a free kick from the right side that pierced the green sky in a flash of white as the ball found the head of Brent Vale '04, rocketing it into the back of the net as the sky bled blue once more.

The last seconds ticked away, the game was over. The board read 3-2 Blue, the miracle in Deerfield.

After the game, Coach Scott walked over to his joyful players, who were stretching on the far sideline. Though it was he who instilled all the confidence in the world in us during the game, he looked exhausted at the time. Sure enough, all he could say was, "Why the hell did we take so long?"

The team's certainly heard that one before.

Boys Soccer Prepares for Exeter

by Jon Hillman

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Coming off a dominating 3-0 win over New Hampton, Andover Boy's Soccer is in prime form to clash with Exeter in Saturday's tournament deciding game.

Wednesday's victory, a game that the Andover Boys made look pretty despite the mud and freezing showers, bettered Andover's record to 9-2-2 as Callum Thomas '04 netted two goals and TJ Thompson '06 added another.

However, even with a 9-2-2 record, Andover can not drop a game to Big Red and still make the championship tournament.

Andover's chance at making the tournament is strengthened by the fact that their only losses have come against Choate (ISL) and Brooks (NEPSTA), both teams which placed first in their respected leagues last season.

This season, Exeter made the decision to switch to a four-four-two game plan, the same player organization as Andover.

Setting up with four backs,

four midfielders, and two strikers, both teams will be well matched during Saturday's game.

Defensively, Co-captains Carey Hynes '04 and David Sheldon '04 head-up an experienced Andover senior back-field

composed of Knef King '04, Steve Russell '04, and Brent Vale '04. Goalie

Brendan McManus '05 completes an undeniably strong group of defenders. McManus has logged an incredible seven shutouts this season, giving up a respectable eleven goals total in Andover's thirteen games.

In Andover's weaker games, it is usually not Big Blue's defense that falters, but rather the ball just does not seem to fall right for Andover scorers.

Strikers Michael Spiak '06 and Kirk Lepke '04 will need to

constantly pressure Exeter's goalie Thomas Jenkins '04, one of Exeter's three soccer PGs, and hope that the ball rolls in Andover's favor.

Exeter boasts talented players through the middle positions, particularly midfielder and Co-captain Eli Covington.

"He's a handful," commented Coach Scott of Exeter's stal-

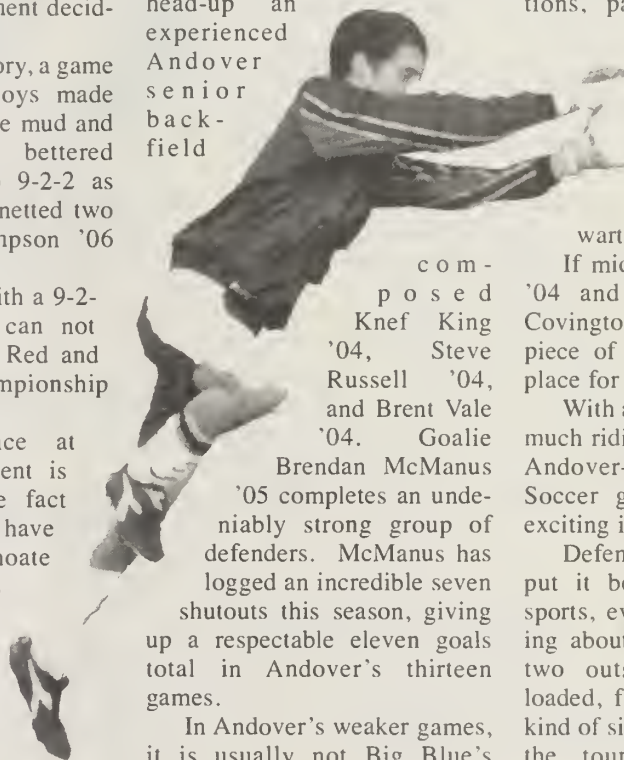
wart middle.

If midfielders Chris Walters '04 and Thomas can lessen Covington's presence, the final piece of the puzzle will be in place for an Andover win.

With a tight match-up and so much riding on its outcome, the Andover-Exeter Boys Varsity Soccer game promises to be exciting if nothing else.

Defender Pat Shannon '05 put it best, commenting, "In sports, everyone's always talking about bottom of the ninth, two outs, score tied, bases loaded, full count. This is that kind of situation: winner goes to the tournament, loser goes home."

Mix in the Andover-Exeter rivalry, and this may be one of the year's most exciting games.



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Soccer Suffers Heartbreaker

Andover Boys Soccer Drops Season Opener Vs Brooks

by Brendan McManus
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Brooks	1
Andover	0

In the days leading up to the start of their season, the PA Boys Varsity Soccer Team gathered together before Coach Scott. "Just give us your best," he said. "If you give us your best, good things will happen. Together, we'll make some noise."

On Wednesday, the boys gave their best, and they certainly made some noise. The team opened their 2003 campaign against a favored Brooks squad, a team that sported key players whose soccer experience stretched to the regional and even national levels. PA rolled into the contest riding a wave of confidence from last year's 9-0-2 finish and strong Senior leadership from Co-captains David Sheldon '04 and Carey Hynes '04.

Sheldon joined Steve Russell '04, Brent Vale '04, Knef King '04, and goalkeeper Brendan McManus '05 to hold down the Big Blue defense.

In the midfield and up front, Callum Thomas '04, Chris Walters '04, Nate Scott '05, goal machines Kirk Lepke '04 and Ben Hoerner '05, and the '06 Fab Four of Mike Spiak, TJ Thompson, Justin Wu and Pumi Maqubela fueled the Big Blue attack.

On Brooks turf and against the odds, this team made a resounding sound that was not reflected by the final score.

From the first whistle, any spectator could tell the game was going to be a classic. The first 20 minutes were filled with early-

game excitement, hard challenges and blazing shots. PA and Brooks traded blow for blow as a Brooks defender took down Spiak from behind, only to see the favor returned as McManus laid out a Brooks forward challenging high for a crossed ball.

Amidst the physical play, Brooks repeatedly utilized their offensive firepower, driving their midfielders and forwards up field to try to cut straight through the heart of the Blue defense.

However, the Blue backs, led by Sheldon, held strong. Sheldon was given the tall task of shadowing Brooks all-star striker Charlie Davies '04 everywhere he went, sticking to his every move. Sheldon performed brilliantly.

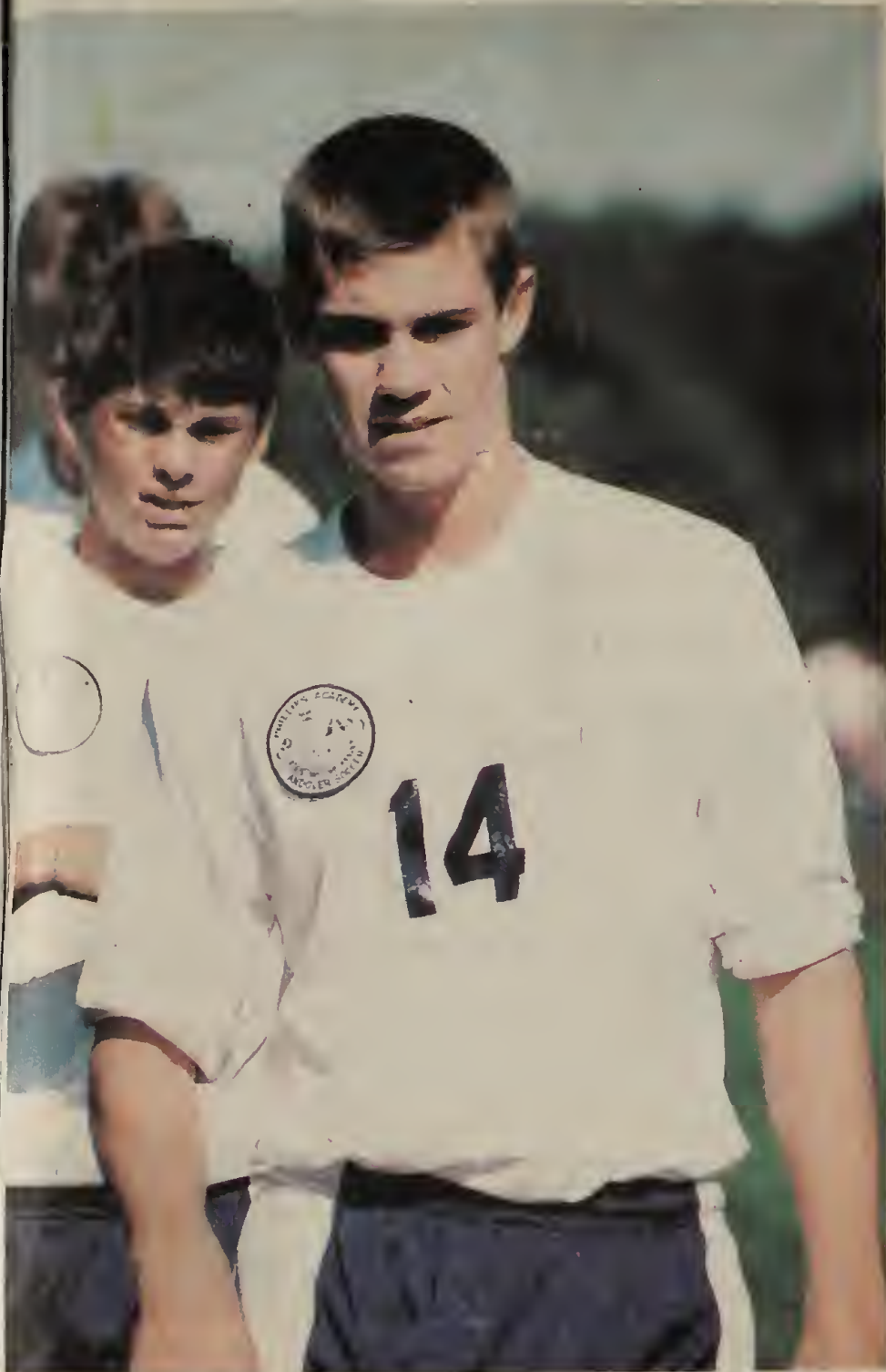
Russell, Vale, and Walters, who started out at left back before moving to midfield, continuously turned away shot after shot in the first half, but Brooks just kept coming.

The Green caught their only break in the final moments of the first half, when a Brooks midfielder played a brilliant ball over the top of the Blue backs, allowing Davies to somehow get through the defense and deftly power the ball into the side netting. At the half, 1-0 Brooks.

The Blue responded in the second half with renewed vigor. Led by Callum, the Blue midfield and forwards dominated play. With Thomas, Wu, and Pumi in the middle and Spiak, Thompson and Hoerner up top, Brooks fell back on its heels. Callum led the charge, spreading the ball left and right and dribbling through one defender after another, making it look easy.

From the back, King, Vale and Russell continued to hit long

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Steve Russell '04 (14) and Kirk Lepke '04 can do nothing but look out on towards the field forlornly as the Boys Soccer team fell to Brooks School in a valiant opening game, Wednesday.

Russell Fuels PA-BS Rivalry

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Often overlooked in favor of more the more traditional Andover-Exeter rivalry, the competition between PA and its North Andover boarding school counterpart, Brooks, is not to be forgotten. Usually, the game between PA and Brooks is the first of the year for the Boys in Blue. While the games between the two rivals are mostly

scrimmages, and the competition friendly, the teams both consider this an important game in the season.

Steve Russell '04, a two-year Senior and helpful addition to the Andover Boys Varsity Soccer Team, found himself caught right between the two schools, as he spent his first two high school years at Brooks only to transfer to PA as a new Upper. Russell faced the awkward situation of playing his former teammates, but quickly

shifted his loyalties over to PA soccer, as well as his knowledge of the Brooks team.

Reflecting on the team's desire to avenge last year's tough defeat, Russell said, "When we played against them last year, it was tough because we lost, and it made it worse because all of my old friends were there. Now, this year, I'm definitely going to be nervous to play in front of all my old teachers and classmates."

Coach Bill Scott, who has been playing with Russell since the local resident touched his first soccer ball, was proud of his player. "I've been able to watch him develop since he was eight years old, and I'd pick him as the most improved. He's become a really

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Pumi Maqubela '06 duels with his Brooks opponent for possession of the ball in Wednesday brutal 1-0 loss.

BOYS SOCCER HANGS TOUGH IN LOSS TO BS

Captain Sheldon
Quiets Brooks
Top Scorer

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balls deep into Green territory. On the other end of the field, Sheldon had put the sleeper hold on Davies. Sheldon denied the Brooks star another chance to hit the back of the net and increase the Green's lead.

Yet, deep into the second half, the Blue still were looking for their goal. "It will come," said Coach Scott. "Keep working hard, and it will come."

However, when the final whistle blew, the PA attackers had blasted strikes, headers, and volleys all over the penalty area, yet somehow none had found the back of the net.

"That's soccer," noted defender Nate Kellogg '05. "That's the way it goes sometimes."

Though it was a frustrating and hard-fought loss, this one seemed strangely positive. Why? "The second half was ours," said Callum. "We dominated play."

Indeed, the boys soccer team worked so hard they deserved to win, and Brooks knew it.

Now that's making some noise.

PA Soccer Downs New Hampton

by Brendan McManus
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
New Hampton	0

It doesn't get much better than this.

After pounding New Hampton 3-0 on a cold, dreary afternoon, the Andover Boys Soccer team has fixed a crash course with their crimson cousins like none in recent memory. On Andover-Exeter Saturday, the winner will claim bragging rights in the storied Blue-Red rivalry, the Dunbar Cup Championship, and the right to go to the New England Championship tournament. The loser goes home.

The game has all the makings of a historic battle, the war to end all wars, the most perfect matchup since a few fellows from Beantown duked it out with some Yankees from the Bronx. The hype could be suffocating, but the boys are certainly used to a little excitement.

Thanks to an impressive, thrilling ride, Andover holds an 8-2-2 record in prep school play, standing on the cusp of achieving their goals of making the New England Tournament and playing deep into November. Though the team has made a few of their matches a little too exciting during the year, their performance against New Hampton was nothing short of dominating.

Led once again by Callum Thomas '04 up front and Justin Wu '06 and Pumi Maqubela '06 in the center of the pitch, Andover controlled play from start to finish, never giving their guests a chance. Nate Scott '05 and TJ Thompson '06 also continued to shine, creating countless dangerous opportunities from the wings. In fact, if it hadn't been for the stellar play of New Hampton's strong PG keeper, Cal and company would have eas-



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Chris Walters '04 strikes the ball during a Boys Soccer 3-0 win against New Hampton.

ily turned those chances into a crooked number on the scoreboard. However, with many brilliant saves, the NH goalie kept his team in the game – for a while.

Ultimately, it was only a matter of time before the Blue broke through, and they did so with authority. In the middle of the first half, Thomas started the scoring in style from the right side, firing a shot that buzzed the wet grass and burst the side netting with a powerful splash. Thomas was at it again in the 43rd minute, deftly slotting a loose ball under the outstretched arm of the helpless NH keeper, making it 2-0 Andover. Thompson added a left-footed finish in the opening moments of the second half, crushing New Hampton's spirits as Co-captain Carey Hynes '04, Steve Russell '04, Brent Vale '04 and Knef King '04 took care of the rest.

When the final whistle sounded, the scoreboard read 3-0 Blue, earning Andover its sixth shutout and eighth win of the season. And as a dark fog set in over their heads, the boys walked off the field with red in their eyes and one thing on their mind: Exeter. "Saturday," said Russell. "It all comes down to Saturday."

Less than 24 hours from now, a crisp whistle will pierce the cold morning air of Exeter, New Hampshire before hundreds of shivering spectators, turning the page on yet another chapter in the storied Andover-Exeter rivalry. "It's going to be insane," said Nate Scott '05, "would you have it any other way?"

Not a chance.

"With everything to play for," said Coach Steve Carr "where would you rather be? It doesn't get any better than that."

Boys Soccer Bashes Beaver

by Brendan McManus
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Choate	4
Andover	1
Andover	6
Beaver Country Day	0

For every high there is a low. For every triumph there is a let-down. For every last-second glorious goal there is a back-breaking devastating blow. The Boys Varsity Soccer team had already found its elation against Loomis, and then felt its fall at the hands of the Choate Wild Boars under the lights of Phelps Stadium.

Sometimes it just is not your night. Last Saturday, it just was not the Boys Soccer team's night. Against an undefeated, confident Choate team, the Blue were physically overmatched and thoroughly outplayed. Though Andover outshot the Wild Boars, the Blue's chances were constantly foiled while every Choate shot seemed to turn up golden. The Andover attack was stifled by the mighty Choate defenders, who turned every PA opportunity into a Wild Boar counterattack. Most of these counters came to the feet of Choate Captain Pat Phelan, who converted his chances into three goals before halftime. Phelan started the scoring by breaking through the left side of the Blue defense, drilling a shot from close range past charging keeper Brendan McManus '05 into the top left corner of the goal. It was not long until Phelan struck again, heading a driven ball off the bottom of the crossbar and into the back of the net. He completed his hat trick by firing a shot from the top of the box that skipped along the soaked ground and splashed into the far corner of the goal.

Whoever said the game was over never told Co-captains Carey Haynes '04 and David Sheldon '04, who rejuvenated their team during the intermission. "Relax," said the Co-captains, "this game is not over. We have 45 minutes to get back into it, one goal at a time." "Let's win the half," added Coach Scott, "let's get that first one and go from there. It won't be easy. You're going to have to fight." And that's exactly what they did. The boys fought valiantly to the final whistle, even when Choate added to the deficit. The Wild Boars made it 4-0 on a free kick from the top of the Andover box, where a Choate player touched the ball back to a second attacker.

Yet, regardless of the score, the

boys continued to fight. Their efforts finally paid off in the middle of the second half as Co-captain Sheldon took a pass from Justin Wu '06 down the right side, flying past his defender with his unmatched speed and putting Andover on the board with a powerful strike over the helpless Choate keeper. In the end, despite the valiant efforts by Sheldon and Wu, Choate handed Andover its second loss of the season. In defeat, the Blue looked upon the game as something to learn from. "We've got a lot of work to do," said the Co-captains, "but we never gave up."

Andover took their work to Graves Field on Wednesday against Beaver Country Day. Coming into the game, Coach Scott stressed the importance of possession, something the team did not do well against Choate. "If you want to be playing late in November," he said, "you have to be able to hold a ball." Though they struggled at first, the Blue played better as time went on, eventually taking over the game. Though Andover did allow two garbage goals to their guests, one early and one late in the game, the offense picked up the slack.

The Blue opened the scoring in the middle of the first half as Callum Thomas '04 sent a beautiful ball across the Beaver box to Captain Sheldon, who headed it home with ease. Mike Spiak '06 added another a few minutes later, driving a penalty shot past the Beaver keeper after Spiak was taken down inside the box. As the halftime whistle blew, Andover was not satisfied with only two goals. The boys knew they could do better. Fired up for the second period, the Blue scorched the Beaver net. Sheldon started it off once again by calmly slotting the ball past the onrushing keeper on the right side, scoring his second goal of the game. He made it a trifecta a short time later, finishing a beautiful cross from Nate Scott '05 firmly into the back of the net. Jason Zhu '07 joined the party with his first varsity goal by deftly striking a bouncing ball from 30 yards out just over the bewildered Beaver keeper. Spiak blasted a shot over the Beaver wall and through the opposing keeper, concluding the scoring and putting BCD away.

Andover was clearly disappointed with its inability to keep Beaver off the scoreboard. Yet, with Captain Hynes back in the mix and Knef King '04 growing stronger by the minute, the zeroes will surely follow in bunches. But, as Coach Scott said after the game, "If you guys play against Bridgeton like you did today, we're leaving you in Maine."



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Callum Thomas '04 challenges his Beaver Country Day School opponent for the ball late in the game on Wednesday.

Hynes '04 Returns in Style

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

He didn't exactly ride on to the scene on a white horse, but you wouldn't have known that from the reaction his teammates and the Andover fans gave him. Co-captain and unquestioned team leader Carey Hynes '04 is back and ready to play and the Andover Boys Soccer team could not be happier.

Having made a recovery from his ankle surgery this past summer, Hynes is back on the field and playing for the Big Blue Soccer team. He was recently cleared to play in a real game and he made his comeback debut last Saturday under the lights in the highly advertised game against Choate. With fans starting to cheer as soon as they saw him warming up down the sidelines, Hynes's entrance onto the field was as awaited by fans as by the rest of his team.

Teammate Dave Wilkinson '05 said of his captain, "Carey Hynes really makes the team better when he plays. He's a good leader, he's talented, and he's an inspiration on the field."

Hynes has been hoping for a quick recovery, pushing for doctors to clear him for his aggressive game play. Teammate Steven Russell '04 said, "Everyone's excited about Carey's comeback. He was a pivotal player last year, and he's been working really hard this year. He's been really pushing to get back on the field as fast as he can, and he's in really good shape."

Hynes said of his goals, "I'm trying to get back playing center-back and help stabilize the team.

They've been doing really well so far, and we're in a much better spot than we were this time last year. We can build on that and hopefully get into the tournament and make some noise."

Coach Bill Scott was just as excited as his players to see one of his best defensive athletes return to the field. He said, "We're so happy to have him back on the field and at the center of our defense. He can bring a lot to our team, and it's time for him to do that."

Pumi Maquebela '06, who was playing defense for the Big Blue before coach Scott signaled to the referee to take him out and trade in Hynes, was excited for his captain to attack the field. He said, "Carey's comeback was a great moment for the team, and the crowds cheering helped to boost the team's confidence when he got onto the field. Though I was a bit disappointed that I was coming out, I was more than happy to be replaced by our team captain, especially for his comeback and his first game this season."

With Andover's score trailing Choate's, Hynes got right to work, aggressively attacking their offense and making up for lost time. Even though he was only cleared to play for half an hour, Hynes did his due damage to the controlling Choate offense. Teammate Ben Hoerner '05 explained, "Even though it was a tough game, it was encouraging to have our captain back on the field. He was in really good shape to comeback, and he just took control of the field."

SPORT: Girls Soccer
YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: Kinnom McCall , Allegra Asplundh-Smith
HOME TOWN: Cambridge, MA , Ringoes, NJ

MANAGER(S): _____

HOME TOWN(S) _____

COACH: Lisa Joel

ASSISTANT COACH(S): Tracy Ainsworth

SEASON RECORD

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Phillips Academy
Girls Varsity Soccer
Roster – 2003

No.	Name	Yr	Pos	Hometown
16	Allegra Asplundh-Smith	2004	B	Ringoes, NJ
19	Jessie Birecki	2004	B/F	Andover, MA
24	Martha Durant	2006	B	Lynnfield, MA
6	Lexi Dwyer	2004	B/F	Swampscott, MA
11	JeanMarie Gossard	2005	M	Andover, MA
4	Rachel Harmeling	2004	M	North Reading, MA
2	Alison Holliday	2006	F	Marblehead, MA
23	Kara Hollis	2007	M/F	Roswell, GA
3	Becca Howe	2006	M	Andover, MA
14	Emily Kennedy	2007	B/M	Topsfield, MA
5	Katie Koh	2005	M	Andover, MA
9	Katharine Lee-Kramer	2007	M	Princeton, NJ
	Mia Lidofsky	2005	GK	Providence, RI
17	Charlotte MacMillan	2005	F	Andover, MA
13	Kinnon McCall	2004	F	Cambridge, MA
	Melissa McDonald	2006	GK	Lynnfield, MA
7	Cara Ruccolo	2005	M	Lynnfield, MA
12	Rachel Shack	2004	F	Andover, MA
8	Jessica Taggart	2005	B	Marblehead, MA
	Julie Wadland	2006	GK	Andover, MA
10	Catherine Wright	2006	B	Naperville, IL

Coaches: Lisa Joel and Tracy Ainsworth

Captains: Allegra Asplundh-Smith and Kinnon McCall

Managers:

Trainers: Kathy Birecki, Brian Cox, Mike Kuta

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-13 03

OPPONENT: Williston Nc Hampton

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: Andover 1 Williston 3

Golden Warriors Light Up Net Against Phillips Rivals

by Sarah Takvorian
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Williston	3
Andover	1
Andover High	6
Andover	4

After graduating eleven seniors, the Girls Soccer team is going



to have its fair share of learning experiences. Chalk the two losses to Williston and AHS up as just that.

The girls kicked off their season with a home match against Williston North Hampton. In the first half, "there was a lot of confusion," as defender and midfielder Becca Howe '06 explained. WNH quickly pulled ahead of PA, scoring off a cross from the left side. WNH struck again on a corner kick, despite the best efforts of goalie Julie Wadland '06.

Heading the defense was sweeper Co-captain Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04, with support from returning players Jessica Taggart '05 and Jessie Birecki '04, as well as new defenders Lexi Dwyer '04, Martha Durant '06, and Catherine Wright '06. Taggart and Dwyer both had a notable presence on defense, and used their strong, fervent kicks to clear the ball.

In the midfield, Cara Ruccolo '05 successfully transitioned the ball from defense to offense and distinctly assumed an aggressive position on the field, consistently stepping up to meet the ball and using her quick feet to get around an opposing player. This was also seen in attack player Ali Holliday '06, who, like Ruccolo, assumed a stronger offensive role than last year.

Other standouts on the field were the resolute juniors, Kara Hollis, Emily Kennedy, and Katherine Lee-Kramer. All three played tight on their man and used speed and agility to keep in with the fast pace of the game. In spite of the efforts of all of these players and many others, the first half ended with PA down 2-0.

PA attempted to step up play in the second half, to no avail. WNH still scored a third goal into the left corner of the net early on in the

half.

After repeated near misses, Andover hit the back of the net as Kennedy carried the ball into the box and pounded it past the goalie. Kennedy's strike brought PA back into the game. However, the Lady Blue failed to get any closer, and the game ended 3-1.

Taggart commented on the loss, "It was a tough game, mainly because we were getting used to playing a full ninety minutes with our newly formed team. Despite our loss, I felt it was a great beginning to our season – especially in the second half; we came together to work as a team and successfully dominated in our field play."

In their second game of the season, a scrimmage against AHS this past Wednesday, one could already notice an improvement in the team's play. With increased playing time, Ruccolo and Taggart continued to use deft moves to clear the ball to the attack.

With several close shots taken off corners kicked by Charlotte MacMillan '05 and Kennedy, it was obvious that it would be a high-powered game. However, just like the WNH game, AHS pulled ahead first. The Golden Warriors outran the PA defense and scored an early goal. Coach Lisa Joel decided at that point to remove Wadland from goal and insert Melissa McDonald '06.

PA fought back as Wright sent a lofting ball over the goalie's outstretched hands, evening the score at 1-1. The Lady Blue added a second goal and went into halftime with a 2-1 lead over their crosstown rivals.

The second half, however, did not prove to be so successful for the Lady Blue. AHS easily scored five additional goals. Kennedy and Hollis did their best to keep PA in the game, each blasting home scores and cutting the deficit to two goals. However, it was all for naught, as the game ended 6-4 with Andover on the short end of the stick.

Howe was hopeful for the future of the team, saying, "Every player is strongly committed to the team, and once we learn to work and flow together, we'll get the results we want. We've got a lot of talent to build on this year, and I think we'll surprise everyone with how well we will do."

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-17-03

OPPONENT: Andover High School

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

9/17/03

Girls Soccer Drops 6-4 Decision to AHS

Despite a 2-1 lead at the half, the PA varsity girls soccer team fell to hometown rival Andover High at Graves Field. Highlights for the Big Blue included a first varsity goal from lower Catherine Wright who blasted a shot from 25 yards out which literally knocked the Andover High keeper into the net for a score. Another first varsity goal was tallied by junior Kara Hollis '07 who finished on a perfectly slotted pass from teammate Charlotte MacMillan '05. Julie Wadland had a sensational 20 minutes in net for PA, shutting down Andover High's talented striker Jackie Powers who had a handful of breakaways in the first half. Also frustrating Powers was post-graduate Lexi Dwyer who showed tremendous speed and grit in the backfield for the Big Blue. Unfortunately Powers turned it on in the second half scoring repeatedly for Andover High. The PA girls did not give up - to the delight of her teammates, junior sensation Emily Kennedy '07 scored her second PA goal of the season. Dwyer '04 moved from the back to striker in the final minutes of play and notched the fourth Blue goal of the game, her first of the season. The team felt great about the improvement made since their match-up versus Williston on Saturday. Every player saw time for the Blue with fabulous play by Katie Koh, JeanMarie Gossard and Catherine Wright.

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-20-03

OPPONENT: Lewis

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-24-03

OPPONENT: Harvard

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: Andover 5 Harvard JV-2

9/24/2003

Girls Soccer Triumphs Over Harvard JV

After a disappointing loss last Saturday to powerhouse Loomis Chaffee, the Big Blue stormed back with an impressive 5-2 win against Harvard University's JV squad. Playing inspired, possession soccer, the Big Blue pulled ahead 2-0 after co-captain Kinnon McCall scored twice in a seven minute period. Playing her best game of soccer this year, McCall put Andover on the scoreboard midway through the first half with a low, driven ball from 25 yards out which caught the Harvard keeper entirely unsuspecting. Seven minutes later, McCall struck again with the same type of ball from over twenty yards out. The team entered the half with a solid 2-0 lead.

Not surprisingly, Harvard turned it on in the second half. The Andover girls fought to keep momentum and the ball. In a bit of mayhem in front of the net, Jessie Birecki pressured the Harvard keeper who scored an own goal ten minutes into the second half. Still Harvard would not give up. Scoring twice, the Crimson brought the game to within one goal with ten minutes to play. Fortunately Ali Holliday kept the game out of reach from Harvard by notching her first goal of the season and then two minutes later assisting on the final Andover goal with a perfectly slotted pass to freshman sensation Emily Kennedy at the top of the 18. Kennedy leads all Andover scorers this season with three goals.

Another player to mention is JeanMarie Gossard who started her first varsity game in the back for the Blue. Gossard, a speedy and gutsy player, did an unbelievable job tracking some talented and equally speedy Harvard frontrunners. Kara Hollis and Becca Howe also played well all over the field for the Blue. All three Andover keepers saw time in this game and helped PA to their first win of the season.

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Defender Jessie Birecki '04 looks to clear the ball upfield in Girls Varsity Soccer's 5-2 victory over Harvard's JV on Wednesday.

Hale Sturges Publishes Book

Instructor in French Hale Sturges published a book this summer about a trip he took to a small French village. p. 6

OWHL Sponsors 'Read Off'

In celebration of National Banned Books Week, the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library held a "Read Off" on Thursday. p. 6

Field Hockey Defeats Loomis

The Lady Blue Field Hockey Team beat Loomis Chaffee on Saturday in the last eight seconds of play by a score of 2-1. p. 12

Boys X-C Takes Canterbury

Led by Josh Wolfe '04 and Adam Kapor '04, the Boys Cross-Country Team won its first invitational at Canterbury last weekend. p. 12

Rampell '06 On Plagiarism

Palmer Rampell '06 argues that our definition of plagiarism may be too stringent, a problem that unwittingly drives fear into honest students. p. 2

Editorial: Campaign for Trust

As the Strategic Planning Committee meets throughout the year to review the school, it should focus on building trust between students and administrators. p. 2

St. Louis '05 Composes Music

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DATE OF CONTEST: 10-01-03

OPPONENT: Brooks

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: Andover 1 Brooks 3

10/1/2003

Brooks Defeats Girls Soccer

In a game played at Brooks School on Wednesday, the PA girls varsity soccer team lost to their North Andover rivals by a score of 3-1. With less than five minutes to play in the contest, co-captain Kinnon McCall fired a shot at a young Brooks keeper from 25 yards out. Senior Rachel Shack followed the rebound to notch the only goal for the Blue. Next up for the Andover girls will be a home game against Choate this Saturday on Graves Field.

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-27-03

OPPONENT: Tabor

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: Andover 0 Tabor 1

9/27/2003

Seawolves Edge Girls Soccer In Defensive Struggle

The girls' soccer team traveled to Marion MA on Saturday to face Tabor Academy. Not surprisingly the Tabor team came out fired up and used their athleticism to take control of the game early on. After a number of chances against PA goalie Julie Wadland, Tabor's talented newcomer Kylie Neschke took a pass from her sister Shannon and put Tabor ahead 1-0 with one minute left in the first half. Despite coming out a bit more focused during the second half, the Andover girls could not find their way to the Tabor keeper. The game ended in a 1-0 decision. The Andover girls look to get healthy in the days ahead and bring their record to .500 in their next matchup versus cross-town rival Brooks School.



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Cara Ruccolo '05, flanked by Allison Holliday '06, brings the ball upfield in Wednesday's game against Brooks.

Andover Girls Soccer Falls To Seawolves and Brooks

by Sarah Takvorian

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Tabor	1
Andover	0
Brooks	3
Andover	1

Summer revisited New England unexpectedly as the Big Blue traveled to Tabor to face a team perennially noted for their tough opposition.

PA, hoping to continue its winning ways after a rousing 5-2 victory against Harvard last week, entered the game struggling with injuries to key veteran players. A young team with many new starters on the field, the loss of Co-captain Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04 and defender Jess Taggart '05 to ankle injuries as well as mid-fielder Jessie Birecki '04 decimated the already thin ranks.

Asplundh-Smith's leadership on the field was greatly missed, and the defense found themselves constantly under the attack of Tabor's aggressive play. Goalkeeper Julie Wadland '06 put forth a valiant effort and managed to ward off all shots until one minute-thirty seconds left in the first half when Tabor's leading player, Kylie Neschke, took a pass from a teammate inside the eighteen and put the ball past Wadland for the game-winning goal.

The second half proved to be back and forth play with Tabor dominating the ball but making wide or high shots. The game was one to show the girls where improvements were needed, and

the final score was a disappointing 1-0 – Andover's first loss to Tabor in ten years.

On Wednesday, the girls attempted to rebound against their local rival Brooks. A school that always provides one of the most difficult games of each season, Brooks had nonetheless been struggling this season with the injuries of several key players. With a heartbreaking 5-4 loss last year on their minds, the girls were fired up to win.

The girls fell behind on possession. Brooks, losing mostly all of the fifty-fifty balls, held a faster pace of game that PA tried to follow. Brooks also had two very skilled center midfielders who, swinging back and forth across the field, made them "almost impossible to mark" says veteran starting defender Becca Howe '06. "Some more communication in the back might have helped."

Brooks managed to get two rockets off, bringing the score to 2-0 just before halftime.

The second half brought more aggressive, even playing for both teams. In a brief lapse on defense, Brooks knocked one goal past Wadland in net early on. PA held Brooks flush and most of the play occurred at centerfield, with co-captain Kinnon McCall '04 as well as players Katie Koh '05, and Cara Ruccolo '05 stepping up their speed and ball skills.

PA's tough efforts concluded with a shot by Ali Holliday '06 on net which was batted away by the goalie but rebounded into the net by Shack, giving PA its first goal and ending the game with a 3-1 score.



Girls Soccer vs Tabor: The Breakdown

by Jon Hillman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Tomorrow, the PA Girls Soccer squad, fresh off a big victory over the Harvard JV team at home, face off with the Tabor Academy Seawolves.



Andover Offense

Andover's lack of offensive punch has been at the heart of all three of this season's losses, as the Lady Blue has gone down 3-1 to Williston North Hampton, 6-4 to Andover High, and 8-0 Loomis.

Despite last Saturday's blowout against Loomis Chaffee, Andover is "coming together," as starting Goalie Julie Wadland '06 said. The girls hope to bounce back and play strong in tomorrow's game against the Tabor Seawolves.

Head Coach Lisa Joel echoed Wadland's thoughts, saying, "We just need time to get our talent working."

Having lost 12 seniors from last year's team, Andover has been looking for younger play-

ers to step up and fill the gaps, but does not have the luxury of time.

Even with such a young team there is an abundance of offensive talent, coming from freshmen Kara Hollis and Emily Kennedy, as well as returning strikers Allie Holiday '06 and Co-captain Kinnon McCall '04.

In essence, Andover has the right pieces of the puzzle and just needs to figure out how to piece it all together.

Andover Defense

Andover will be looking to Co-captain Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04 to spearhead the Lady Blue's defense this season, as the Andover Girls Soccer squad tries to bear down and not give an inch.

The key to the Girls' defense resides in net. Wadland is a dependable goalie with great

nerves.

Jessie Birecki '04, a midfielder with a defensive mindset, will help to control the tempo as a connection between the backs and the strikers.

One of the few returning players, Rebecca Howe '06 is a threat on both sides of the ball. Bringing an excellent combina-

Tabor

Although Tabor is no soccer powerhouse, the Seawolves are always a tough opponent because of their "scrappy players," as Coach Joel put it.

Tabor's players have always been gritty, and Andover will need to stick to their own two-touch style of soccer to gain

command of the game. Tabor's unorthodox style of play has given them a not so scrappy record of 2-0-1 this season, the tie coming against a traditionally strong Milton Academy team. This Saturday, Tabor will be looking to disrupt Andover's rhythm by launching the

ball upfield and hoping their strikers can chase it down. The first few minutes of Saturday's game will be crucial in determining if Andover can retain composure and resist playing into Tabor's messy game.

tion of athletic flair and game sense to the PA team, Howe is a "quiet talent," as Coach Joel said. Joel continued, Howe possesses "the endurance to go 80 minutes, which she will likely be called to do."



Meet Andover's Captains

Kinnon McCall '04 - Striker

One of only five returning players, Co-captain Kinnon McCall '04 bears the responsibility of spearheading the Lady Blue soccer's offense. Co-captain McCall is under pressure to come up with the offensive cohesion that has been missing in the team's

play thus far. With the game experience and skill to rack up goals, McCall is tremendously dedicated and should be able to do some damage when on the same page as PG Lexi Dwyer '04. McCall's gutsy style of play has already earned the respect of her teammates, who call her leadership inspiring.

"Kinnon is always optimistic and her enthusiasm gets us psyched for every game," said defender Becca Howe '06. "She keeps us together as a team, making sure we're communicating and supporting each other on and off the field."



Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04 - Defense

With a commanding voice and the talent to back it up, Co-captain Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04 will be a key factor in deciding the outcome of Andover's season. A three-year Varsity veteran, Asplundh-Smith provides the backbone of the Andover

defense. She is a ball-hawk, who rarely lets an opposing player get within shooting range.

Asplundh-Smith is a true defender and will be setting the tone as Andover squares off against its harder opponents. A "vocal field leader," as Coach Lisa Joel called her, Asplundh-Smith has a real influence on the morale of the entire team, especially the younger, less experienced players.



Andover's Last Two Games

by Sarah Takvorian
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The days may be getting shorter, but the sun is just beginning to shine on the Girls Varsity Soccer. Though they experienced a devastating loss against Loomis, the team pulled through and changed their disappointing start to the season by beating Harvard University's JV team in Wednesday's game.

Saturday, PA played under the blinding sun and the desperate heat against Loomis Chaffee. Loomis quickly pulled ahead of PA, and despite their best efforts, starting goalkeeper Julie Wadland '06 and the defense were bombarded with passes, crosses, and shots, and soon the score was 3-0.

After the first three goals, however, PA held their own and the rest of the half went without any additional goals for LC.

Co-captain Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04, Jessie Birecki '04, and Emily Kennedy '07, as well as Catherine Wright '06 and Martha Durant '06 all put forth valiant efforts on defense. Defender Becca Howe '06 said, "Loomis won most of the 50/50 balls, and we had trouble keeping up with their fast game pace. We need to focus on settling into our game, instead of letting them determine the play."

Throughout the game, several offsides penalties were called on Loomis, allowing for a change of possession to PA. Nonetheless, many defensive clears were sent right back into our defensive zone by Loomis, and oftentimes Loomis' speed got the best of the girls, allowing for their attackers to be one-on-one with a defender. Coach Lisa Joel says about the high score, "The goaltenders' attitude and play on Saturday was amazing. Both...saw a flurry of shots that were often by unmarked Loomis players in the box. In spite of this, [they] stood tough in net."

Just as in the first half, Loomis quickly got off two goals

in the second, bringing the score to 5-0, after which Wadland was replaced by goalie Melissa McDonald '06. Loomis continued to flood our goal, however, and they soon sent a low ball into the left corner, pulling ahead by 6.

As the girls' desperation undoubtedly grew, their playing skills seemingly improved.

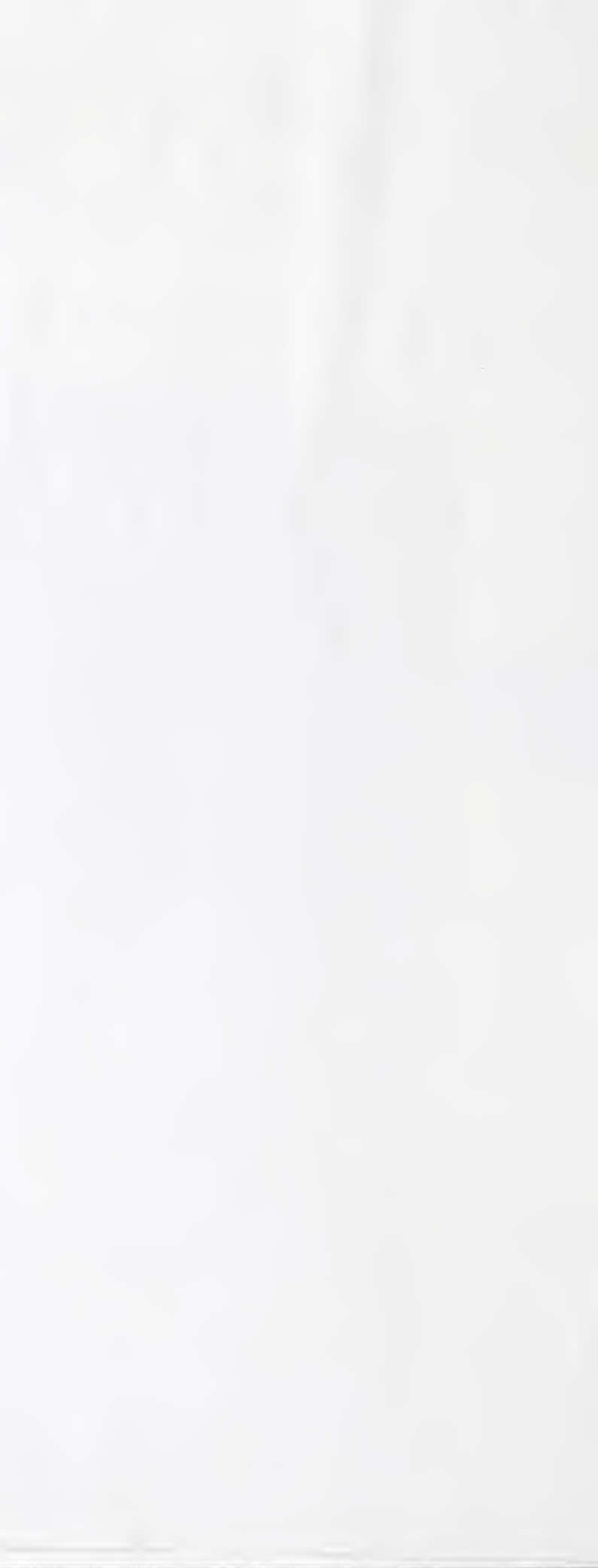
Unfortunately though, the game ended with a painful score of 8-0. Joel said, "Loomis Chaffee is by far the best team we will play this season. I predict that Loomis will go untouched this season - I've never seen them so strong. But perhaps more importantly, I predict our team will keep getting better. I was most impressed with how the girls reacted to this loss."

The Girls game with Harvard was a different matter altogether. Pulling ahead five minutes into the game, Co-captain Kinnon McCall '04 put the first goal on the board with a shattering kick taken in front of net and followed it up with another one ten minutes later, bringing the score to 2-0.

PG Lexi Dwyer flip-flopped between defense and attack throughout the game, immensely adding to play on both ends of the field. Her speed and strong, forceful kicks served a double purpose, both to make saving clears on defense and to be a valuable weapon for shots on net on attack.

In the second half, Harvard kicked back into play and scored two goals to even up the score. The PA girls, however, refused to lose. The girls showered the Harvard net with shot after shot. Three goals came from Birecki, Holliday, and Emily Kennedy '07 off an assist from Holliday.

For probably the first time this season, consistent, lasting connections could be seen in the attack, midfield, and defense at the same time, and the girls walked off the field cheering about their 5-3 win, the first of the season but surely not the last.



THE BREAKDOWN: GIRLS SOCCER

by Mac King
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover Offense:

The Andover offense has been lacking a little power this fall season. The majority of the goals this season have been netted by star freshmen, Kara Holis '07 and Emily Kennedy '07. These young juniors are learning from returning offensive powerhouses Allie Holiday '06 and the team Co-captain Kinnon McCall '04. All four of these players will need to play well tonight if they wish to beat the lady Hoggers. The Lady Blue forwards will need to receive sufficient support from their midfielders, and the fullbacks will need to keep the ball back on the Hoggers' half of the field, preventing Northfield Mount Hermon's breakaways.

Andover Defense:

On defense, the Lady Blue will be counting on returning players Rebecca Howe '06, Co-captain Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04, midfielder Jessie Birecki '04, and Post Graduate Lexy Dwyer '04 to shut down the Northfield Mount Hermon offense. While these field position players will be key to an Andover victory, the strongest element of the Andover backfield is sophomore star goalie Julie Wadland '06.

Final Word:

Coach Lisa Joel summed up the girls' strategy in the upcoming game against NMH, "we are preparing to play a game where we create a lot of scoring opportunities; the girls are really excited to play at night in the showcase game. We have a lot of kids who are really starting to put it all together, so we're really expecting a lot from this game."

Ali Holliday '06 - Forward



Holliday, the Blue's starting striker, brings valuable experience to a young team. Teammate Jessie Birecki '04 said, "Ali is a huge asset to the offense of this team, and without her we would be seriously lacking." Coach Joel added, "Ali is an absolute inspiration to his team. She is able to play a full game of soccer with the same level of play in the last minute as in the first, and she creates a lot of opportunities for the team." PA will need all the experience and skill they can get from Holiday, NMH looks to be an intense competitor and give the Lady Blue a run for their money.

Julie Wadland '06 - Goalkeeper



Julie Wadland '06 is the heart and soul of Andover's defense. An imposing and intimidating presence in the net, she is a force to be reckoned with now as a sophomore. By her senior year, she will be all but unstoppable. Birecki said of Wadland " [Julie] is a very solid player, with a great soccer IQ, who is the voice of our defense." Wadland's coach Ms. Joel said of her, "Julie is a tremendous athlete, and she is fearless. She has been tested game after game and she is seeing a lot of shots, but she is doing a great job. She's probably averaging over ten saves a game, and that's a lot for a lower."

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-11-03

OPPONENT: Noble & Greengrass

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: Andover 0 Nobles 4

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-15-02

OPPONENT: St. Paul's

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: Andover 5 SPS 1

Co-Captain McCall '04 Leads Lady Blue To Resounding Victory Over SPS Pelicans

by Sarah Takvorian
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Nobles	4
Andover	0
Andover	5
SPS	1

The girls of Varsity Soccer continued to fight through their season with last Saturday's loss to Nobles and a win against St. Paul's on Wednesday.

Playing in unusually hot weather, Andover, though they had many nice passing plays in different parts of the field, did not connect on the level necessary to beat Nobles' speedy and agile players. Starting goalkeeper Julie Wadland '06 was forced to make several brilliant saves after defensive lapses allowed Nobles into the offensive zone. Catherine Wright '06, Mia Lidofsky '05, Emily Kennedy '07, and Jessie Birecki '04 were also vital forces in the back. On right wing, Jean Marie Gossard '05 saved multiple balls from going out of play. Despite best efforts, however, the ball always got caught in the midfield, and

PA only had a total of four shots on goal during the entire game (versus Nobles' twenty). Even when down 4-0, however, the team's spirit never seemed to leave, and with ten minutes left in the second half, the whole squad stepped up its level of play – a preview of what would come in the St. Paul's game on Wednesday. Katherine Lee-Karmer '07, Ali Holliday '06, and Co-captain Kinnon McCall '04 showed their thirst for goals but to no avail. Adding another unfortunate loss to PA's record, the game ended 4-0.

In a change of luck, however, the Lady Blue beat St. Paul's School 5-1 on Wednesday, netting their second win of the season. Despite a slick playing field from rain showers that morning and extremely strong wind making it difficult to handle the ball, from the first whistle it was obvious that PA's talent was rearing to go. Rarely in any sport does the whole field connect – defense, midfield, and attack – but the girls impressed the crowd yet again by playing all three parts of the field equally well. The defense, led by Co-

captain Asplundh-Smith '04, held their marks tightly and was quick to clear the ball. Additionally, Wadland pounced on every free ball that came her way. In the midfield, Rachel Harmeling '04, Cara Ruccolo '05, and Katie Koh '05 successfully fed balls to the attackers and had several long runs down the length of the field.

The real magic was to be found on attack, however. McCall and Holliday, both of whom always stand out on the field with their aggressiveness and quick feet, forcefully controlled the pace of play in front of the Pelican's net. Two of PA's five goals came from Charlotte MacMillan '05, one from Koh, and two more from McCall.



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Co-captain Allegra Asplundh-Smith heads a ball out of the defensive zone in the Lady Blue's loss to Nobles, Saturday.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-04-03

OPPONENT: Chate

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-08-03

OPPONENT: Governor Dummer

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

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Strong Second Half By GDA Ties Up Girls Soccer

Despite a 2-0 Andover lead at the half, the Big Blue girls could not hang on for the win as the team traveled to Byfield to play Governor Dummer Academy. Alison Holliday played her typical gritty game - notching both goals for the Blue in the first half of play. Holliday's second goal was particularly impressive. As GDA attacked, Holliday hung at midfield for the Blue. Junior Kara Hollis saw an opportunity to strike the ball over the top of GDA's flat back four to the speedy Holliday. Holliday beat GDA on the backside, raced to the GDA goal and beat the keeper for her second goal in five minutes. Not surprisingly, GDA came out strong in the second half, tallying four goals, one in the last minute of play and the two teams walked away from the field with a disappointing 4-4 decision. Notching goals for the Blue in the second half were Kinnon McCall and Hollis. On the plus side, the GDA game saw the return of some experienced Andover players who had been sidelined with injuries. Co-Captain Allegra Asplundh-Smith returned for limited time at stopper and Jessica Taggart also saw some play in the back. As the team fights to get healthy, they are confident their current momentum will bring them good success with the second half of the season.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-17-03

OPPONENT: NM H

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: Andover 1 NMH 2

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-22-03

OPPONENT: Thayer

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: Andover 0 Thayer 1

10/22/03

Strong Defense Is Big Key For Girls Soccer Despite 1-0 Loss

On the coldest Wednesday afternoon of the fall, the Andover girls fired up for a match-up against Class B power Thayer Academy (8-1-2). Behind great defensive play by Kara Hollis '07, JeanMarie Gossard '05, Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04, and Martha Durant '06, as well as goalkeeper Julie Wadland '05, the Big Blue held Thayer at bay for the first forty minutes of play. Junior Katharine Lee-Kramer made sure that Thayer stayed off the scoreboard in a gritty play midway through the first half. As chaos broke out in the box, Katharine slid to the goalline as Wadland stepped to play the ball. A Thayer striker unleashed a shot from 5 yards out that Lee-Kramer kept out of the net with her head. Lee-Kramer left the game for the half after some inspired play in the defensive midfield. Hoping to beat the Thayer backs, the Andover strikers and midfielders turned up the pressure in the second half. Ali Holiday, Lexi Dwyer, Kinnon McCall and Emily Kennedy kept pressure on the Thayer keeper but were not able to beat her for a goal. Playing great games in the midfield were Becca Howe, Cara Ruccolo and Katie Koh. Midway through the second half, the Thayer offense beat Andover on the right flank, crossed the ball across the face of the goal and found the back of the net for a 1-0 win. The Andover team struggles to find a victory as the second half of their season begins, but the overall team game has improved dramatically and the girls continue to have fun with the game of soccer.

Lady Blue Soccer Drops Two to NMH and Thayer

by Sarah Takvorian
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

NMH	2
Andover	1
Thayer	1
Andover	0

It probably was not stage fright, but playing under the lights simply did not work well for the Lady Blue, as the Girls Varsity Soccer team dropped its Parents' Weekend contest 2-1 to the NMH Hoggers in a hard fought nailbiter. The following Wednesday, the Andover squad dropped another excruciating close match to Thayer Academy, 1-0. The team's record now stands at a bleak 2-9-1.

Against Northfield Mount Hermon, the Andover team seemed to have a burst of energy and excitement in its play that has not yet been seen this season by the Blue faithful that packed the icy cold bleachers at Phelps Field.

The girls appeared more involved in the play and speed of the game, rather than just being bystanders as they had in past game. As the minutes crept on, each team became more and more assertive.

Up front, Co-captain Kinnon McCall '04, who has been continually stepping up her level of play each contest throughout the season, used speed and aggression to try and set up opportunities in front of the Hogger's goal.

Joining her on attack was lower standout Ali Holliday '06, who time and time again used quick fakes to pull around a discombobulated Northfield defender.

NMH scored their first and only two goals in the middle of the first half. The Lady Hoggers opened up the scoring on an easy ball that goalie Julie Wadland '06 made seemingly no attempt to save, as though she thought it was going out.

NMH scored again when Lexi Dwyer '04 overcommitted to a player who proceeded to overrun her, cross, and a fellow teammate scored on a header.

PA had its vengeance, however, at the end of the half. Midfielder Cara Ruccolo '05 was pushed by an NMH player a little past midfield and therefore received a penalty kick, which she placed perfectly in front of the net.

Postgraduate Dwyer, moved up to attack, then pounded the

ball into the net, bringing the score to 2-1.

The second half brought less action but even more physical play. The ball remained in the midfield for the remainder of the game with several unsuccessful breakaways seen from both teams. The score remained 2-1 and not in Andover's favor.

PA knew it had its work cut out on Wednesday when it faced Thayer, a team with a record so far of 7-1. Standout players of the game included star defender Becca Howe '06 and valuable frosh midfielder Katharine Lee-Kramer '07. Howe worked well distributing balls through the center, and, as fellow teammate Holliday said, "using her indispensable skills to open up the field."

In the first half, Lee-Kramer brought the crowd a proud-soccer-mom moment when she saved a goal by taking a ball in the face. Playing the whole game in net, Wadland was "outstanding as usual," as Co-captain Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04 put it.

The defense faced many quick Thayer players, but was able to shut down their attack and most of their better players. In the face of several well-placed shots by Thayer, Wadland used her severe athleticism and sense of the ball to command the field and make several appraisable saves. In the midfield, the team also effectively used upper Jean Marie Gossard's speed and tactile playing.

While the team needs to work on not getting the ball stuck in the midfield, Holliday said of her team, "We're improving and making great connections every time we step out onto the field." Asplundh-Smith added, "We played up to a very physical and athletic team, but we're getting better at servicing accurate balls and linking our play."

Once again, PA played a terrific game but to no avail, and the final whistle blew with 1-0 in Thayer's favor on the scoreboard.

If this season has taught the Lady Blue anything, then it is the importance of being resilient, and the team undoubtedly is looking forward to tackling on another win to their record in their away game versus Deerfield Academy tomorrow.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-25-03

OPPONENT: Deerfield

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: Andover 2 Deerfield 3

Lady Green Soccer Downs PA

Koh '05, Ruccolo '05 Score

by Sarah Takvorian
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER



Katie Koh '05 struggles to control the ball in last Saturday's game against Deerfield.

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BB&N-PA Rivalry Centers On Co-Captain McCall '04

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

There is always more to the game when you are playing your friends. As the Andover Girls Varsity Soccer team travels to BB&N tomorrow, Co-captain Kinnon McCall '04 will be doing just that. Playing on Cambridge town soccer teams with the BB&N players since she was six years old, this three-year Girls Varsity Soccer team member is giving PA the advantage it needs to defeat the BB&N Knights on its home turf.

After last year's home loss to BB&N under the lights, the returning players are fired up to avenge the Knights. McCall explained, "Last year was a huge bummer. Games under the lights are especially important, so it was a tough loss. It was tough because I knew all the players and their parents, and that just made me want to win more."

This year the BB&N Knights should be a formidable opponent for the Lady Blue. McCall noted that the Lady Blue squad has made great strides, but it is a vastly different team than that of the fall 2002 team. However, she notes, the team's record this year is not reflective of its talent or motivation. She explained, "We've been playing really well. It's tough this year because in previous years we could have a bad game and still

come out ahead, but it seems that in some games this year we can have a really great game and still come out behind."

Games against former teammates are always the hardest. McCall reasoned, "It's more emotional. It makes me want to play well. It really motivates me to work harder, and I get more upset when we don't win."

One of the benefits of McCall's connections is that she knows the opponents well. As McCall explained, "My best friend's the captain, so we talk about our teams. I know how they've been doing and how they've been playing."

According to her, the Knights have three or four talented seniors that will probably play in college, depending on where they go. However, she explained that the BB&N team has been plagued by injury, so some of its better players have been kept off the field. The team still poses a threat to the Lady Blue.

McCall summed up her sentiments towards tomorrow's big game, saying, "They're a good local opponent. They always give us a good game. They're definitely going to be a challenge to beat but were really motivated to beat them on their home field like they did to us."

Deerfield	3
Andover	2

Maybe the day off will do them some good.



Thanks to Wednesday's pounding rain, the Andover Girls Varsity Soccer team had time to recuperate after its disappointing away game against Deerfield last Saturday. In 2002, Andover knocked off the Big Green 2-1. This year the outcome would be different, unfortunately for PA.

Although strong throughout the field, PA was unable to follow through and capitalize on rebounded shots. While the girls did a good job opening up the field and the midfield successfully carried the ball from defense to offense, two key players – Lexi Dwyer '04 and Kara Hollis '07 – were injured. "We lost two versatile players," said midfielder Jessie Birecki '04 of her two injured teammates. "We hope to see them back on the field as soon as possible."

The first half saw a lot of back and forth play between the two teams. Goalkeeper Julie Wadland '06 did not see much action, while PA's offense tested the Green's goalie. There were several times when Ali Holliday '06 landed a ball on the goal line, which her teammates were then unable to finalize. Charlotte MacMillan '05 and Co-captain Kinnon McCall '04 also pounded several un-

successful shots at the goalie.

In the back, more great plays came from Jean Marie Gossard '05, who time and time again muscled powerful clears up the field. Equally strong was Becca Howe '06, who as always was able to slow down and control play, as well as accurately pass the ball to her teammates and effectively stop the Green on PA's defensive end. The end of the first half ended with a 0-0 score.

Though early on in the second half Deerfield scored, it still appeared as though PA was finally reaping the fruits of their labor. Katie Koh '05 scored off a rebound, followed by yet another goal from Cara Ruccolo '05. Melissa McDonald '06 – off a head injury from several games ago – went in for Wadland as the backbone of PA's defensive end, and PA continued to press the ball up the field. Despite the continuation of shots from Holliday, MacMillan, and McCall, as well as attacker Rachel Shack '04, PA was unable to put any more shots in the net. After Deerfield scored two more goals, Andover could not recover, and the game ended with a 2-3 loss.

The team remains optimistic, however, and is proud of its growth throughout the season. Said Co-captain Allegra Asplundh-Smith, "I could not be prouder of this team. We came together in September, almost entirely new to each other. Our record does not reflect how this team has grown, the laughs we've shared, and the amazing, often challenging season this team has weathered together."

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DATE OF CONTEST: 10-29-63

OPPONENT: Middlesex

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DATE OF CONTEST: 11-01-03

OPPONENT: B B S N

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-05-03

OPPONENT: milton

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: 0

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-02-03

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: Andover 0 Exeter 3

2003 Highlights

11/8/03

Girls Soccer Drops Finale 3-0 to Exeter

The Andover girls traveled to Exeter for the last game of the 2003 season. Unfortunately they would return home with a 3-0 loss despite a valiant effort. Playing the last game of their PA careers were seniors Kinnon McCall, Allegra Asplundh-Smith, Jessie Birecki, Rachel Shack, Lexi Dwyer and Rachel Harmeling. These six girls provided tremendous leadership and laughter all season long and will be missed greatly by their teammates. McCall and Asplundh-Smith once again tried their best to lead the Blue to a win. Unfortunately McCall was unable to break past the Exeter defenders or get a decent shot off on the Exeter keeper. The team has looked to McCall all season long to create scoring opportunities. Asplundh-Smith and Birecki were fantastic in the back - continually shutting down Exeter's two explosive strikers Pam Martin and Ali Maxwell. Dwyer, Shack and Harmeling inspired their teammates with their gutsy play as they attempted to create offensive opportunities in the midfield. Also playing superb games were JeanMarie Gossard, keepers Melissa McDonald and Julie Wadland, Becca Howe and Jessica Taggart. The record of the team does not tell the whole story of the 2003 season.

These twenty-one girls found one success after the next, day after day during the fall. They grew as teammates and as people in tremendous ways. It was a fantastic and memorable season for all.

Girls Soccer Battles Exeter in Season Finale

by Jon Hillman

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Entering in to tomorrow's game with a 2-12-1 record, the Andover Girls Soccer team is playing more for pride than glory as they look to upset Big Red in Saturday's final season showdown. The Girls have been developing throughout the sea-

son as its relatively young roster gains experience. Co-captains Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04 and Kinnon McCall '04 have been leading the Girls through this rebuilding phase, made especially challenging from the gaps left by last season's twelve seniors. With only four seniors of their own, Exeter is dealing with a similar test, and it will likely be the play of the less-experi-

enced athletes that determine the outcome of the Saturday's battle.

Having lost four games by only one goal, Andover often comes close, but has trouble getting those few game deciding shots to fall. When it has clicked for the Girls, the team has exploded, taking down the Harvard JV team 5-2 and blowing out St. Paul's 5-1. Andover's strong defense has been the key to keeping games close, and with Asplundh-Smith's leadership, Big Blue's backfield has a good chance of keeping the game within reach. Goalie Julie Wadland '06 will have to defend against an Exie onslaught lead by Exeter Co-captains Amelia Wesselink '04 and Maggie Suydam '04, a talented combo that Andover will have to respond to.

Strikers Ali Holiday '07, Lexi Dwyer '04, Kinnon McCall '04 and Emily Kennedy '07 will have to take advantage of any

and all scoring opportunities in order for the Big Blue to come home victorious. They will be trying to bang it by Exeter goalies Shannon Guy '04 and Liz Logan '06, two talented keepers who have let in a combined 10 goals in their first 13 games. The Exeter pair has given up more than one goal on only one occasion, a season opening 3-0 loss to Choate, and boasts a combined 5 shutouts.

Andover's mid-field trio of Becca Howe '06, Cara Ruccolo '05 and Katie Koh '05 will need to focus on moving the ball to open space in hopes of catching Exeter off-guard. Midfield play will be make-or-break for the ladies in blue, who will need to control the tempo during transition in order to successfully move to ball up field.

Unfortunately, the girls losing record has erased any hope of a post-season tournament bid, but expect them to bring it, and bring it hard against Exeter.



Girls Soccer Drops Final Game To Archrival Exeter Lady Red

by Sarah Takvorian
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	3
Andover	0



GIRLS SOCCER

Playing on a field with a red scoreboard, surrounded by a red track, in the middle of a red-bricked campus, the Andover Girls Varsity team took on their northern Big Red rivals.

The smothering red surroundings, sadly, had their effects on the

Lady Blue.

Though the 3-0 score may not have shown it, the Big Blue and the Big Red spent an equal amount of time in possession of the ball. With multiple assaults on net, PA never gave up—they simply could not capitalize on any of their numerous opportunities.

In the last game of their Andover careers, Co-captains Allegra Asplundh-Smith '04 on defense and Kinnon McCall '04 on attack played spiritedly for the Lady Blue.

Multiple shots were also seen from McCall, PG Lexi Dwyer and Ali Holliday '06.

The midfield, including Katharine Lee-Kramer '07, Jean Marie Gossard '05, Becca Howe '06 and Cara Ruccolo '05, was able to successfully keep up with the quick pace of the game. The girls stopped several Exeter break-aways on defense as well as passed crisp feeds to their teammates on attack.

As usual, the fierce defensive lineup of Asplundh-Smith, Jessie Birecki '04 and Jess Taggart '05 acted as a wall between the Big Red attack and the Big Blue's goal, with Julie Wadland '06 starting in net.

After equal playing on both sides of the field during the first fifteen minutes of the game, Exeter put its first goal in the net sixteen minutes into the first half. An attacker carried the ball down the left side of the field and

crossed it in a flying shot that went over defender Birecki's head and landed out of Wadland's reach in the top right corner of the net.

PA continued to put forth its best efforts in all parts of the field, yet later in the first half, with five minutes and thirty seconds of play left, another Exeter attacker brought the ball down the field and sent a low cross into the net from the right side.

The Exeter goal made it 2-0 in favor of PEA.

After halftime, despite being down two goals, the girls jogged onto the field seemingly determined to make a comeback and end their season with a win.

Players Rachel Harmeling '04, Katie Koh '05, Charlotte MacMillan '05, and Rachel Shack '04 all rotated onto the playing field, either supporting the team in the midfield or pounding the Exeter goalie on attack. Unfortunately for the girls, Exeter managed to score again halfway through the second half, bringing the game to its final score of 3-0.

For the seniors – Asplundh-Smith, McCall, Birecki, Dwyer, Harmeling, and Shack – this loss was a heartbreaking end to a tough year. Nevertheless, the girls played their hearts out, game in and game out.

Despite the girls' disappointing record of 2-14-1, the underclassmen look forward to next season's strong upperclassmen presence and a reemergence of the

Date of Contest: 9-13-03

Opponent: Opening Tournament

Where Played: Andover

Results:

The pre-season tournament included Cushing, St. Paul's, Exeter, New Hampton and Andover. This year New Hampton joins the league.

Girls Varsity Volleyball

2003

Captain: Devon Dickerson, California
Mimi Hanley

Manager: Daniel Meller, California

Coaches: Clyfe Beckwith, Victor Svec

Assistant Coach: Leah Budiansky

Season Record: Undefeated

Won: 19 Lost: 0 Tied: 0



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Name	Year	Number	Position	Height	Hometown
Parla Alpan	10 th	#2	OH	5'8	Huntington Beach, CA
Lauren Cantwell	11 ^h	#5	OH	5'8	Newport News, VA
Jessie Daigneault	12 th	#14	MH	5'10	Gaithersburg, MD
Devon Dickerson-C	12 th	#17	S	5'7	Pasadena, CA
Emmy Gelb	11 th	#4	RH	5'8	Tiburon, CA
Mimi Hanley-C	12 th	#11	MH/OH	6'	Seattle, WA
Jane Park	11 th	#7	OH	5'6	Northbrook, IL
Sarah Thomas	10 th	#13	MH/OH	5'9	Tokyo, JAPAN
Cassie Tognoni	11 th	#21	MH	5'9	Andover, MA
Dorothy Voorhees	12 th	#9	RH	5'10	Birmingham, AL
Megan Winn	11 th	#1	S/RH	5'8	Tampa, FL

Manager: Daniel Meller

Coaches: Clyfe Beckwith, Victor Svec, Leah Budiansky

Date of Contest: 9-17-03
Opponent: New Hampton
Where Played: Andover
Results: 3-0

Victory for PA Girls Volleyball in Season Opener

Andover beat New Hampton's Huskies for the season opener 3-0 (30-19, 30-24, 30-15) at PA's Memorial Gym on Wednesday. New Hampton, a newcomer to the league, matched Andover point for point at the beginning of the match until Jessie Daigneault (middle hitter '04) served 7 straight points, which allowed Andover to pull away and secure the first game. Other starters for Andover, all returning varsity players from the 2002 season, are co-captains Devon Dickerson (setter '04) and Mimi Hanley (middle hitter '04) along with Lauren Cantwell (outside hitter '05), Dorothy Voorhees (right side hitter '04) and Jane Park (outside hitter '05). The Andover team distinguished itself in consistent pass-receiving, hard hitting, good blocking, and tough serving; excelling in all aspects of the game. While the Huskies returned many hits, saved many a ball and showed good team communication for a first-year team in the league, their frustration began to show and detract from their concentration. Mimi Hanley and Jessie Daigneault both made outstanding plays in the middle, while Lauren and Jane exploded their stuff from the outside, much credit going to the orchestrating setter Devon. After to Jessie's serving streak, Lauren and Mimi both followed suit later in the match, paralyzing the opponents and wowing the fans with their jump serves. Megan Winn, a new 11th grader from Tampa, Florida, stepped in for a highly respectable performance in the second game, while Cassie Tognoni '05 gained valuable experience as a middle hitter in the third game.

Andover will play New Hampton again on October 11th in NH. As the season progresses the Huskies will no doubt improve and look for revenge, especially after being shut down on ten straight serves by Mimi Hanley to end the match. Next up for PA is another home match on Saturday at 2:00 PM, as the Blue takes on perennially strong rival Loomis Chaffee.

Date of Contest: 9-20-03

Opponent: Loomis

Where Played: Andover

Results: 3-0

Andover pulls out a win against a hustling defensive squad from Loomis, 3-0, at the Memorial Gym today Sept. 20 (30-24, 30-19, 30-21). Andover had a serious scare in the first match when number one setter co-captain Devon Dickerson '04 had to come out of the game upon an on-court collision and a bruised knee (though the trainer declared her fit again for the third game). At that time Loomis had still kept the game close. After the collision it was as if Andover felt they needed to step up the game to make up for the loss of Devon; Lauren Cantwell '05 served 5 aces, and Jess Daigneault '04 put down 3 kills to end the game. Megan Winn '05, a newcomer from Tampa FL replaced Devon, settled in nicely and orchestrated the offense for the rest of the match. Cassie Tognoni '05 finished the last half of the third game as the middle hitter.

Lauren ended the match with 12 aces, 4 kills; Megan 8 aces and 2 kills; Mimi Hanley '04 3 aces and 7 kills; Jess 2 aces and 9 kills; Dorothy Voorhees '04 3 aces and 1 kill; Jane Park '05 3 aces and 3 kills.

Date of Contest: 9-24-03

Opponent: St. Paul's

Where Played: St. Paul's

Results: 3-0

Andover beat Saint Paul's School 3-0 (30-18, 30-14, 30-15) at the Cage of SPS...the last game in that facility as construction of a new gym is in progress. Andover posted 22 serving ace and 33 kills for the match: Dorothy Voorhees '04 6 aces and 3 kills, Mimi Hanley '04 3 aces and 9 kills, Devon Dickerson '04 4 aces and 5 kills, Jessie Daigneault '04 1 ace and 5 kills, Lauren Cantwell '05 2 aces and 4 kills, Jane Park '05 2 aces and 1 kill, Cassie Tognoni '05 1 ace and 4 kills, Sarah Thomas '06 1 ace and 1 kill, Parla Alpan '06 1 ace 1 kill, Emmy Gelb '05 2 aces. Megan Winn '05 aided the team as libero. Particularly impressive was Devon's performance in 14 successful serves of 14 attempts and 5 kills in 5 attempts to hit.

Date of Contest: 9-27-03

Opponent: Dracut HS

Where Played: Dracut

Results: 2-0

PA defends unbeaten streak, beats Dracut HS 2-0

In an unusual morning game, Andover travelled to Dracut on Saturday 27th of September. There was a delay to the beginning of the match because of a closed gym. The varsity team had to wait even longer than expected because there is only one court available and thus watched the Andover JV battle the Dracut JV to a nail biter best of three. PA JV won the deciding game by a score of 16-14. When Andover varsity finally took to the court, missing their two starting middle hitters Mimi Hanley and Jessie Daigneault who were both away on college visits, they started quite sluggish. Devon Dickerson '04, setter, took control of the offense and orchestrated a pull away in the second half of the first game, using Cassie Tognoni '05 and Lauren Cantwell '05 as her primary weapons and getting the job done 30-25. Andover switched the line up for the second game: Megan Winn '05 as setter, Parla Alpan '06 as Outside Hitter, and Sarah Thomas '06 as Middle Hitter. The Andover squad never really allowed the Dracut team to gain any steam and took the game in lop-sided victory of 30-11.

Outstanding Team Stats: Lauren Cantwell '05 served 16 of 18 attempts with 5 aces, 11 of 13 hitting attempts with 9 kills; Cassie Tognoni '05 served 11 of 11 attempts with 1 ace, 12 of 13 hitting attempts with 8 kills; Parla Alpan '06 served 8 of 8 with 3 aces; Sarah Thomas served 5 of 5 with 1 ace, and 2 of 2 in hits with 1 kill. The team total for 2 games was 12 aces and 25 kills.

Date of Contest: 10-01-03

Opponent: North Reading HS

Where Played: Andover

Results: 3-0

PA Volleyball extends perfect record, beats No. Reading 3-0.

In a scrimmage against a strong, but illness weakened, No. Reading squad the Andover Ladies came out victorious beating them in straight sets 30-19, 30-26, 30-17. Everyone got to play. The second game looked as though No. Reading might prevail, but PA came from behind on some crucial serving from Jessie Daigneault '04.

Stats for the match. Total team aces: 18. Total team kills: 36
Mimi Hanley '04: 10 kills of 20 attempts, 4 serving aces, 3 blocks. Lauren Cantwell '05: 9 kills on 22 attempts. Jessie Daigneault '04: 6 kills on 13 attempts. Devon Dickerson '04: 3 kills on 3 attempts and 15 assisting sets, 5 aces. Dorothy Voorhees '04 played spectacular defense today. Cassie Tognoni '05: 2 kills on 6 attempts. Sarah Thomas '06: 4 kills on 5 attempts.

Date of Contest: 10-04-03

Opponent: Choate

Where Played: Andover

Results: 3-1

Phillips Andover continues undefeated streak, now 6-0, by beating Choate Rosemary Hall 3-1 (30-28, 22-30, 30-19, 30-23). The game appeared rather sluggish for the first two games; both Andover and Choate traded points evenly, played outstanding defense, and both had inconsistent attacks. In the third game Andover's game finally gelled; a deciding difference came in moving Mimi Hanley from the middle to the outside and have Cassie Tognoni hit middle.

Mimi Hanley lead the team with 17 kills, 31 of 34 hits, 7 aces, 20 of 24 serves, 5 of 9 blocks; Lauren Cantwell 6 kills, 14 of 24 hits, 5 aces, 18 of 21 serves; Devon Dickerson 1 kill, 7 of 8 hits, 3 aces, 22 of 23 serves, 27 assists; Jessie Daigneault 9 kills, 22 of 24 hits, 1 ace, 9 of 11 serves, 7 of 9 blocks; Dorothy Voorhees 14 kills, 25 of 30 hits, 2 aces, 15 of 15 serves, and 6 of 8 blocks; Jane Park 1 kill, 10 of 13 hits, 2 aces 12 of 16 serves; Cassie Tognoni 2 kills 7 of 10 hits.

Team total 50 kills on 116 of 143 attempted hits, 21 aces and 96

successful serves on 110 attempts.

Date of Contest: 10-08-03

Opponent: Cushing

Where Played: Cushing

Results: 3-0

Andover extends winning streak to 7-0.

Andover travelled to Ashburnham and defeated the Cushing Penguins 3-0 (30-17, 30-23, 31-29).

In a role reversal where the seniors cheered and coached from the sidelines instead of making the plays, the future leaders of Andover's team took the first two games rather easily mostly on good serving, scrappy defense, and occasional brilliant offense. In the third game Andover, largely due lack of concentration, found itself in a hole of being back 23-28, but Jane Park '05, Cassie Tognoni '05, and Sarah Thomas '06 were able to string 8 serves together to overcome the opponent 31-29.

Our only Andover player Cassie Tognoni led the team with 7 kills on 13 of 16 hits, 3 aces and 16 of 16 serves. Jane Park, 3 kills on 8 of 13 hits, 6 aces on 18 of 19 serves. Sarah Thomas 4 kills on 9 of 16 hits, 4 aces on 13 of 15 serves. Parla Alpan '06 had 5 kills on 16 of 19 hits, 1 ace on 12 of 13 serves, Megan Winn '05 had 1 kill, 12 assists, and 5 aces on 12 of 16 serves. Emmy Gelb '05 had 6 kills on 8 of 12 hits, 2 aces on 11 of 12 serves.

Date of Contest: 10-11-03

Opponent: New Hampton

Where Played: New Hampton

Results: 3-0

Andover travels to peak foliage season, survives persistent Huskies attacks and come-backs. Andover wins 3-0 (30-21, 30-27, 30-21). The New Hampton School gym, with many NHS fans on hand, was unevenly lighted and different in length-width dimensions. Whether it was the gym's spacial features or just an odd day, Andover's squad had more service errors and fewer aces than usual. Nevertheless, good defense, a varied front/back row attack, and a never-die attitude allowed Andover to close out a tough-fought match 3-0.

Andovers stats: Team total: 39 kills, 14 aces. Mimi Hanley 17 kills on 23 of 29 hitting attempts, 3 aces on 11 of 14 service attempts. Lauren Cantwell 5 kills on 13 of 20 hitting attempts, 4 aces on 14 of 19 service attempts. Devon Dickerson 15 assists, 5 aces on 19 of 21 service attempts. Jessie Daigneault 8 kills on 15 of 18 hitting attempts, 1 ace on 10 of 11 service attempts. Dorothy Voorhees 4 kills on 10 of 14 hitting attempts. Jane Park 1 ace on 13 of 15 service attempts. Cassie Tognoni (2 of 3 games only) 3 kills on 8 of 10 hitting attempts.

Date of Contest: 10-15-03

Opponent: Exeter

Where Played: Andover

Results: 3-0

Phillips Andover beats Phillips Exeter 3-0 in the Memorial Gym in front of a home crowd.

In all three games (30-23, 30-26, 30-21) the Andover squad managed to come back after digging themselves a hole. There were times when Exeter had an 8 point lead, but the drill on the previous day of point conversion paid off, and thus PA held on to their unbeaten streak.

Team Stats: 3 game total: 36 kills and 17 aces.

Mimi Hanley again leads the team with 14 kills on 24 of 28 hits, 1 ace on 4 of 7 serves, 3 stuff blocks on 5 of 7 successful blocks. Jessie Daigneault had 7 kills on 10 of 14 hits, 4 aces on a teamm leading 23 of 23 serves, 2 stuff blocks, 2 for 2. Lauren Cantwell had 4 kills on 10 of 16 hits, 5 aces on 21 of 24 serves. Devon Dickerson had 1 kill on 4 of 4 hits, 4 aces on 10 of 11 serves, and 13 assists. Dorothy Voorhees had 3 kills on 14 of 16 hits, 1 ace on 5 of 7 serves. Jane Park had 1 kill on 6 of 8 hits, and 5 of 6 serves. Cassie Tognoni had 1 kill on 7 of 9 hits, and 3 of 4 blocks. Parla Alpan had 5 kills on 7 of 9 hits. Megan Winn had 2 aces on 9 for 9 serves and 11 assists.

Date of Contest: 10-18-03

Opponent: N.M.H.

Where Played: Andover

Results: 3-0

Phillips Academy Andover beats the hoggers of NMH 3-0.

Andover improves its record to 10-0. The bench of PA played superbly (take a look at the stats), taking on the team of NMH (30-14, 30-21, 30-21). Thank you to all the parents and fans in supporting the team.

Mimi Hanley, again, with a team leading 9 kills (5 of which in a game when she was the setter) and 10 of 11 on hits. 6 aces on 13 of 15 serves.

Devon Dickerson 6 kills on 15 of 18 hits, 2 aces on 12 of 15 serves, and 9 assists.

Jessie Daigneault 3 kills on 6 of 8 hits, 2 aces on 11 of 11 serves (!!)

Dorothy Voorhees 1 kill on 1 of 1 hit, 1 ace on 4 of 5 serves.

Jane Park 2 kills on 5 of 5 hits, and 6 of 10 serves.

Cassie Tognoni 1 kill on 2 of 5 hits, 1 ace on 4 of 6 serves.

Sarah Thomas 5 kills on 10 of 13 hits, 5 aces on 11 of 12 serves.

Parla Alpan 4 kills on 10 of 13 hits, 1 ace on 6 of 7 serves.

Emmy Gelb 1 kill on 2 of 3 hits, 2 aces on 9 of 11 serves.

Date of Contest: 10-22-03

Opponent: Cushing

Where Played: Andover

Results: 3-0

Phillips Andovers extends its winning streak to 11-0 beating the Cushing Penguins 3-0 (30-16, 30-11, 30-15). Down temporarily by two team members, all 9 remaining players played a good game for Andover. The serving today was exceptionally strong, 85 of 91 (93%) and 27 aces as a team. Go team, go.

Individual statistics are:

Mimi Hanley hit 5 of 9, 3 kills, served 5 of 5, 3 aces, 1 stuff block.

Devon Dickerson assisted on 8 kills, served 3 for 4.

Jessie Daigneault hit 4 of 6, 4 kills, served 7 of 7, 2 aces.

Dorothy Voorhees hit 4 of 11, 1 kill, served 21 of 22, 5 aces, 2 stuff blocks!!!!!!

Jane Park hit 2 of 3, 1 kill, served 21 of 23, 4 aces.

Cassie Tognoni hit 11 of 12, 5 kills, served 11 of 11, 2 aces, 3 stuff blocks on 7 of 8 blocks!!!!

Sarah Thomas hit 5 of 6, 2 kills, served 1 of 3, 1 ace, 1 stuff block.

Megan Winn assisted on 2 kills, and served 3 of 3 with 1 ace.

Date of Contest: 10-25-03

Opponent: Deerfield

Where Played: Deerfield

Results: 3-0

Phillips Andover travelled the two hours to meet Deerfield. After driving the route that exhibits the end of the leaf-peeping season, the Andover team came out shaky against a persistent and upbeat Deerfield squad - perhaps the fact that it was their parents' weekend gave them extra motivation. PA won 3-0 (30-27, 30-18, 30-27). The whole PA team shared this win, even Mimi Hanley got to play in the third game arriving at Deerfield in the middle of our second game after being delayed taking ACT tests.

Date of Contest: 10-29-03

Opponent: St. Paul's

Where Played: Andover

Results: 3-0

PA wins against Saint Paul's School 3-0 in the Memorial Gym at Andover.

Torrential downpours caused many outdoor sports to be cancelled and thus our game drew more fans than we have seen in quite a while. Thank you fans. Eerie yellow clouds illuminated our way out of the gym after the game...solar flare effects or just an unusually pretty sunset?

The PA squad handily beat SPS in three straight (30-15, 30-16, 30-17). While SPS occasionally gave the Andover team a rally, the outcome of the match was never in question. PA saw several different team combinations in preparation of the post-season. A notable difference was that Lauren Cantwell '05 joined the team again, this time with a sponge-wrapped cast on her left hand.

Team stats: 33 kills total on 69 of 76 hits, 22 aces on 75 of 89 serves.

Jessie Daigneault 8 kills on 15 of 17 hits, 2 aces on 8 of 9 serves.

Mimi Hanley 6 kills on 9 of 9 hits, 3 aces on 5 of 9 serves, 3 stuff blocks.

Cassie Tognoni 6 kills on 9 of 11 hits, 3 aces on 14 of 14 serves.

Lauren Cantwell 4 kills on 9 of 11 hits, 2 aces on 5 of 10 serves.(with cast)

Sarah Thomas 4 kills on 5 of 5 hits, 2 aces on 3 of 4 serves.

Devon Dickerson 1 kill on 5 of 5 hits, 18 assists, 4 aces on 15 of 17 serves.

Dorothy Voorhees 1 kill on 4 of 4 hits, 3 aces on 12 of 12 serves.

Jane Park 2 kills on 4 of 4 hits, 2 aces on 10 of 10 serves.

Emmy Gelb 1 kill on 9 of 10 hits, 1 ace on 3 of 4 serves.

Megan Winn 3 assists.

Parla Alpan, sick at infirmary...we wish her a speedy recovery.

Date of Contest: 11-01-03

Opponent: N.M.H.

Where Played: N.M.H.

Results: 3-0

Today Phillips Academy beat NMH at NMH. The first game got off slowly with both teams pacing each other point for point. Phillips pulled ahead to win 30 to 26. During the second and third games PA outplayed NMH for two separate 30/21 victories. Strong serving from Daigneault and powerfull spike from Hanley, Cantwell, Vorhees and Tognoni helped secure the victory.

Game 1 PA 30/26

Game 2 PA 30/21

Game 3 PA 30/21

Date of Contest: 11-02-03

Opponent: All Star Game

Where Played: N.M.H

Results: All four PA players make the 12 person all New England team.

Exciting news: CONGRATULATIONS TO Mimi on being voted MVP of the league. Congrats to Mimi Hanley, Devon Dickerson, Jessie Daigneault, and Lauren Cantwell on being selected to the Boston Globe All-Star team. The All-Star team is selected by the coaches as the 12 best players in the league of 15 teams. The All-Star tournament took place on Sunday Nov 2nd, 2003 at Northfield Mount Hermon.

The All-Star Team this year consisted of:

Hanley, Mimi '04 Phillips Academy, Andover

Devon Dickerson '04 Phillips Academy, Andover

Jessie Daigneault '04 Phillips Academy, Andover

Lauren Cantwell '05 Phillips Academy, Andover

Alia Al-Khatib '04 Choate Rosemary Hall

Katie Coyne '04 Deerfield Academy

Hayley Hillman '04 Deerfield Academy

Katie Kurty '04 Loomis Chaffee

Reisa Bloch '05 Taft

Tracy Dishongh '05 Taft

Meaghan Martin '05 Taft

Tami Couch '04 Westminster

MVP: Mimi Hanley '04 Phillips Andover

Date of Contest: 11-05-03

Opponent: Worcester

Where Played: Worcester

Results: 3-0

Phillips Andover traveled to Worcester and beat their team 3-0 (30-18,30-18,30-21).

No stats were taken. Everybody got to play, and everybody played well. Andover extends its winning streak to 14-0. Our last regular season game will be played at Exeter on Saturday Nov. 8th at 11 a.m.

Our post-season tournament will consist of the quarter-finals on Wednesday Nov. 12th to be played at the higher seed. Andover will be ranked at either #1 if Taft loses a game this week, in which case we would get a bye in the first round of the tournament, or ranked at #2 if Taft remains undefeated as well, in which case Andover would play the #7 seed. Precise details will not be available until Monday morning, the 10th. The quarter-final match will be played at the school with the higher seed, or at a neutral site if the schools are further apart than 2-hours driving distance.

Date of Contest: 11-08-03

Opponent: Exeter

Where Played: Exeter

Results: 3-2

ANDOVER COMPLETES REGULAR SEASON UNDEFEATED AT 16-0.

Andover beats Exeter in a tightly contested match 3-2

(20-30,30-22,30-22,17-30,15-13) a mere 6 hours before the total lunar eclipse (did the full moon affect the players?).

Much credit goes to Exeter for their defense, especially #16 Roxane Duka, and for their offense, especially #32 Eva Glasrud keeping Exeter in the game. Andover was very slow in coming out of the starting blocks in the first game, got their proper bearings in the second, dominated the third game, gave away the 4th game, and have taken several years off their coaches life in allowing Exeter to keep the score really close in the 5th. The noise of the crowd, the pressure of this historic rivalry, plus the pressure of defending an undefeated season distracted Andover too often, resulting in merely playing the ball over as opposed to attacking the ball for a point. When Andover's attack orchestrated a decisive attack Exeter only rarely put the ball back in play.

CONGRATULATIONS to the team for an already great accomplishment, and a huge thank you to the fans, Andover students and alums, and parents of players.

We look for similarly positive results and support as we enter the post-season tournament. Wednesday's opponent and play location will be announced Monday morning.

Game Stats: 5 games

Team 48 kills, 93/161 hits, 10 aces, 98/110 serves, 11 stuff blocks, 22/26 blocks

Jessie Daigneault 13 kills, 20/27 hits, 3 aces, 13/13 serves, 5 stuff blocks, 6/8 blocks.

Lauren Cantwell 13 kills, 20/27 hits, 1 ace, 11/14 serves, 1 stuff block, 1/1 blocks.

Devon Dickerson 1 kill, 11/12 hits, 19/19 serves, 1 stuff block, 3/3 blocks.

Mimi Hanley 12 kills, 37/49 hits, 1 ace, 10/14 serves, 3 stuff blocks, 3/3 blocks

Dorothy Voorhees 7 kills, 23/25 hits, 24/25 serves, 1/3 blocks.

Cassie Tognoni 2 kills, 14/24 hits, 5 aces, 21/25 serves, 1 stuff block, 8/8 blocks.

Many thanks to the bench for their support today, especially to Jane Park who could easily have played a great game in her own right and had to suffer the coach's whim to leave the team unchanged.

Tournament Quarter Finals

Date of Contest: 11-12-03

Opponent: New Hampton

Where Played: Andover

Results: 3-0

PHILLIPS ACADEMY ANDOVER beats NEW HAMPTON SCHOOL in the quarterfinals of the New England Prep School Fall Girls Volleyball Association (NEPSFGVA).

Phillips Andover 3, New Hampton 0 (30-12, 30-16, 30-21)

Andover moves on to the semifinals on Saturday the 15th. Both semifinals of the NEPSFGVA will start at 1:30 p.m. at Loomis (Windsor, CT). The finals will start 30 minutes after the conclusion of the semifinals, at Loomis.

#2. Andover will play the winner of the #3.Choate/#6.Loomis quarterfinal.

#1. Taft will play the winner of the #4.Hotchkiss/#5.Exeter quarterfinal.

GO BIG BLUE.

Tournament

Date of Contest: 11-15-03

Semi Finals

Opponent: Choate

Where Played: Loomis

Results: Andover 3-1

Opponent: Taft

Where Played: Loomis

Results: Andover 3-2

PA FINISHES SEASON UNDEFEATED 19-0

Andover Blue Girls Volleyball wins the NEPSFGVA Championship by beating Choate in the semifinals and Taft in the finals at Loomis, Windsor, CT on Saturday Nov. 15th.

Andover traveled to the semifinals today after beating New Hampton School in the quarter finals last Wednesday. Andover, seeded #2 in the league was matched up against #3 seed Choate. Although Andover fell behind 0-1, they pulled out a win 3-1 (20-30,30-20,30-28,31-29).

A short time later, 30 minutes to be exact, Andover and Taft, both undefeated in regular season and postseason play, began an exciting and exhausting match. Taft practically destroyed Andover in the first game 30-13. Andover rebounded in the second game 30-22, lost the third 22-30, and avoided elimination in the fourth by eaking out a win 30-28. Andover quickly fell behind 2-8 in the fifth and deciding game but held tough to win it by 16-14.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Andover squad for believing in themselves, for having fun, and for playing as an enthusiastic, hard-working team. Many, many thanks to all our loyal fans and parents for the vocal support, and mounds of Gatorade, water, bananas, clementines, BALLOONS, and inspirational quotes. Special recognition goes to parents traveling from Seattle WA, Pasadena CA, Gaithersburg MD, Alabama, MD, and from Andover MA. A sincere thank you to all the faculty and students who drove the two hour plus stretch to cheer us on. Your faith in us and the positive energy paid off.

PA VOLLEYBALL BEATS DRACUT

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kills, and serving 16 out of 18 attempts with 5 aces. Alpan stood out, as well, with 3 aces and serving 8 out of 8.

The victory was especially sweet for the girls, as the Lady Blue lost to Dracut last year in a close four-game match last year. The win extended the team's record to 4-0.

On Wednesday, PA faced off against North Reading High School, a team from a different league. Although the North Reading team is strong, it has been plagued by injuries throughout the season and was no match for Andover's squad.

The girls started out the match with a strong first game. The score for the first set was 30-19, and it looked as though the Lady Blue were going to cruise to another overpowering win. North Reading, however, refused to go down without a fight.

In the second game, they gave the girls a run for their money. North Reading had an early lead, until Daigneault came through for PA. Her clutch serving helped her team squeak by their opponents with a score of 30-26. They won the third and final game decisively, 30-17.

Coach Clyde Beckwith utilized every player, and the team put up big numbers. Dickerson made three kills on three attempts and five aces, as well as 15 assisting sets. Hanley made 4 serving aces, 3 blocks, and 10 kills out of 20 attempts. The team total of aces was 18 and they had 36 kills.

"The team plays together really well," said Cantwell. "We're pretty much all returning so we've played together a lot. We know how to work together, and the new people have meshed really well."

This win brings the season record to 5-0. For the fifth time this year, the squad bested its opponent in straight sets, meaning that the team not only has a perfect record, but is unbeaten in every game within each match. The girls hope to extend this streak this Saturday when they play league rival Choate.

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Jessie Daigneault '04 avoids hitting the net during Girls Volleyball's victory over North Reading High on Wednesday. See page 12 for complete coverage.

Jews Celebrate High Holidays

Andover's Jewish community observed Rosh Hashanah last weekend and prepares to celebrate Yom Kippur on Monday. p. 6

Scott '05 and Seno '05 Face Off

Nate Scott '05 and Lauren Seno '05 duke it out in a point/counterpoint over whether soccer or field hockey is a better sport. p. 9

Field Hockey Defeats Tabor

Kat Conlon '04 pulled off a hat trick as the Lady Blue beat the Tabor Seawolves on Wednesday by a score of 3-2. p. 10

Football Loses to Hotchkiss

The Big Blue played a messy game with three turnovers, yet still kept close, falling to Hotchkiss 25-21 on Saturday. p. 12

Hill '05 Discusses Publications

While many of his peers find fault with student publications, Tyler Hill '05 feels that students should realize the effort that goes into making them. p. 2

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Cassie Tognoni '05 blasts a spike over the net, into the face of her North Reading opponent in Wednesday's win, as teammate Emmy Gelb '05 looks on.

Andover Spikes Dracut High

by Alison Wheeler
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

There is no stopping the Lady Blue Volleyball team. Neither local rivals Dracut High nor North Reading stood a chance against the girls, as Andover jumped to an unbeaten 5-0.

Andover entered Saturday's game at a bit of a disadvantage. Both Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04 and Jessie Daigneault '04 were unable to play, as the duo

were off on college visits.

Even without the two starting middle hitters, the Lady Blue pulled off a strong win against Dracut. In the beginning of the first game, the girls had a difficult time getting a comfortable lead.

Dracut, an out-of-league rival, kept it close until the second half of the game, when the PA offense, led by Co-captain and setter Devon Dickerson '04, picked up the pace. With the help of strong efforts by Lauren Cantwell '05 and Cassie Tognoni '05, the squad got the job done with a score of 30-25.

The depth of the team was

made obvious in the second game, which was not nearly as close. A change in the lineup put Parla Alpan '06 at outside hitter, Sarah Thomas '06 at middle hitter, and Megan Winn '05 at setter. They dominated Dracut from the beginning of the game, and won a convincing 30-11.

If depth is the mark of a great team, then the Lady Blue is certainly superior. The bench, which came through against Dracut, also stepped up last Wednesday. With Dickerson thrown on the sideline from a knee injury sustained during the first game, the team was able to rise to the challenge and win the match. "We

have a very talented group of people, and it's great to see that," said Dickerson, whose knee has since recovered and is back to peak condition.

The entire squad gave outstanding performances, with a team total of 25 kills and 12 aces.

Tognoni served successfully 11 times out of 11 attempts, with one ace, and was 12 for 13 in hitting attempts with 8 kills. Cantwell was also successful hitting 13 out of 15 attempts with 9

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Volleyball Serves Up Two Wins Over CRH, Cushing

by Allison Wheeler

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

There is no stopping the Girls Volleyball team. The girls in blue continued their quest for New England Prep glory with two more wins this week. They triumphed over a talented Choate squad, taking three games out of four against the Wild Boars and four days later, they froze the Cushing Penguins.

Varsity volleyball managed to maintain their prefect record Saturday, despite stiff competition from Choate Rosemary Hall. During the first two games, the teams were neck and neck. Both showed excellent defense, but had shaky attacks. The scoring was very even throughout the games. When one team scored, the other responded with a reciprocal score. In the first game, Andover managed to come out on top with a score of 30-28.

The second game was not as successful for the girls. For the first time in regular season play this year, the squad lost a game. It was a decisive win for Choate, as the score was 30-22.

In response to the loss, Coach Clyde Beckwith changed the starting line by switching co-captain and middle hitter Mimi Hanley '04 to the outside, and putting Cassie Tognoni '05 in at middle.

"In the third game, Andover's game finally gelled," said Beckwith. The team ran away with the third game 30-19, and won the fourth 30-23. The win brought their record to 6-0.

Hanley had an excellent match. She recorded 17 kills, had 7 aces, made 31 out of 34 hit

attempts, and served successfully 20 out of 24 times. The other Co-captain, Devon Dickerson '04, also did well, making 22 out of 23 serves and recording 27 assists. The team as a whole had 21 aces, 96 good serves on 110 attempts, and made 50 kills on 116 hits.

Wednesday was more of the same for the Lady Blue. They rolled over the Cushing Penguins in convincing fashion. However, this time the girls did it with their bench players. Coach Beckwith had decided to give the starters a rest and let the backup players show their stuff.

"The seniors cheered and coached from the sidelines instead of making the plays," said Beckwith.

In the first two games, Andover cruised past Cushing with a mix of excellent offensive plays, solid serving, and aggressive defense. The score of the first game was 30-17, and they won the second game 30-23. The third game proved to be more challenging. The team played rather sloppily. Soon, the girls were down 28-23. Luckily, Tognoni, Jane Park '05, and Sarah Thomas '06 came to the rescue by completing eight serves. They squeaked by 31-29.

Tognoni had a good game, serving successfully on all 16 of her attempts, and coming up with three aces and seven kills. Park was also solid with six aces and 18 good serves out of 19 attempts.

Thanks to the efforts of the younger members of the team, their record stands at a perfect 7-0.

THE BREAKDOWN: VOLLEYBALL

Lady Blue Volleyball Faces Off Against NMH Hoggers

BY ALISON WHEELER

"[The team is] just going to come out the same way [they] have been every game, confident, but understanding that things happen. We just need to continue doing what we've been doing."

- Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04



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Andover Setters: The job of the setter is to be the playmaker. She orchestrates the attack, finds flaws in her opponents' defense, and exploits these weaknesses using the strengths of her team. Assuming this important role for the Andover team is Co-captain Devon Dickerson '04, a Boston Globe All-Star last season. The backup setter is Megan Winn '05, a new upper who will succeed Dickerson next season. Against NMH, Dickerson will try to take control of the game and enable the team to make the most of their skills.

Andover Hitters and Back Row: The starting middle hitters on the team are Mimi Hanley '04 and Jessie Daigneault '04. For the game Saturday, they will need to fulfill their duty as the main blockers on the team in order to keep NMH's scoring low. Backing up Daigneault and Hanley are Cassie Tognoni '05, Emmy Gelb '05, and Sarah Thomas '06. Thomas happens to have the highest vertical jump of anyone on the team. The starting outside hitters are Lauren Cantwell '05 and Jane Park '05, and the backup is Parla Alton '06. Taking the starting position of weak side hitter is Dorothy Voorhees '04, and the backup is Gelb. On many teams there are specialized players who play back row. On the Andover team, this is not the case because the starters are so experienced, play the full game, and rotate between the front and back. At any given time, there is one middle hitter, one outside hitter, and either a setter and a weak side hitter. When the Lady Blue plays NMH Saturday, the team must play intelligently and well in the front and in the back.

Northfield Mount Hermon: Despite NMH's history of domination on the volleyball court, the squad has not been as strong for the past few seasons. The team won the New England Championship four times out of five chances between 1995 and 1999. But as of late, the team is in a rebuilding period. Still, the majority of the squad is uppers and seniors. Even with this experience, their record is less than impressive at three wins and five losses. NMH has improved over recent games with wins against Deerfield and St. Paul's, however, so Andover should not underestimate the team's abilities.

GAME TIME - 2:00 AT MEMORIAL GYM

The Faces of Andover Volleyball



**Mimi
Hanley '04
- Hitter**

During her four year tenure at PA, Co-captain Hanley has been the powerhouse of the squad's offensive attack. "Mimi is our go-to player," said Jessie Daigneault '04 of the middle hitter. Dependable and versatile, Hanley's teammates can count on her to finish plays. She's "skilled, motivated, and ambitious," said Coach Beckwith. "The primary bonus of having her on the team is that she has raised the level of play by example."



**Devon
Dickerson
'04 - Setter**

As a smart and aggressive setter, Co-captain and four year varsity team member Dickerson is the invaluable playmaker on the team. In fact, Coach Clyde Beckwith said "the success of the team is based upon [Dickerson's] ability to orchestrate attacks." With the flow of the game in her hands, it is her job to assess the opposing team's skills and shape Andover's attack accordingly. "She commands the team on the court really well," said Co-captain Hanley. "She leads really well and also gets the job done."



**Jessie
Daigneault
'04 - Hitter**

Along with her great passing ability and strong hit, Daigneault "comes to practice with 100% effort," said Hanley. Her hitting skills make her an excellent and indispensable middle hitter. She is always looking to improve her game, and this determination on the court brings the team together. "She leads by example," said Coach Beckwith. According to Dickerson, "she is a very intense player and gets really involved with the sport."



**Dorothy
Voorhees
'04 - Hitter**

Although right side hitter is usually a weak position, Voorhees "plays it strong," according to Coach Beckwith. This makes her a secret weapon, and her abilities force the opposing team to raise its level of play. "She takes the other team by surprise," said Hanley. She began her Andover volleyball career coming on the team last year as a new upper. "Dorothy came into her own last year," said Hanley. "She has completely blossomed."

Undefeated PA Volleyball Pummels New Hampton

by Alison Wheeler
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Girls Volleyball team continued down the road to New England Championship glory this week, with a decisive victory over New Hampton. As Coach Beckwith put it, "This is the strongest team we've had since I've been coaching."

The Lady Blue traveled to New Hampton, New Hampshire this past Saturday to face off against the Huskies for the second time this season.

Last month, Andover dominated the Huskies at home in the season opener. Although New Hampton had improved since then, the outcome of the match was the same, as the Lady Blue won three games to none.

As a result of their previous win against the Huskies, the Lady Blue played a little sloppier than usual. Andover had fewer aces than in previous matches, and also made an unusual amount of service aces.

Additionally, the Huskies put up a fight, making many comebacks and strong attacks. But the Lady Blue never gave up. The girls were able to hold on, winning the first and last games 30-21 and the close second game 30-27.

According to Coach Clyfe

Beckwith, "good defense, a varied front and back row attack, and a never-die attitude allowed Andover to close out a tough-fought match."

During the game, Andover totaled 14 aces and 39 kills. Lauren Cantwell '05 played a good match with five kills, four aces and 14 successful serves on 19 attempts.

Also standing out was Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04, who had 17 kills, 11 good serves, and three aces. Hanley is "an amazing volleyball player," said Co-captain Devon Dickerson '04 of her teammate of four years.

*Can Hanley handle the NMH
Hoggers tomorrow? See Page 10.*

Dickerson reflected on the team's successful season: "We are on a rampage. We want to win, and that is just what we're going to do."

To win the New England Championship, Dickerson said that the team, "Just need to go in with a killer instinct and play our game, which I'm confident we will do. I have so much confidence in our team this year, and I have so much fun playing with these girls."



Girls Volleyball Stays Unbeaten, Downing PEA, NMH, and Cushing

by Allison Wheeler
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Lady Blue Volleyball team took three giant steps this week towards the New England Championship. The Girls had a huge week, coming back against Exeter, thrashing Northfield Mount Hermon and pounding Cushing.

The Blue began their match against Exeter with the ineffable excitement that can come only from playing its archrival. It was the first of two regular season games with PEA. Supported by a gym full of cheering fans, the girls were confident as they took the court.

Although they won convincingly (30-23, 30-26, 30-21), the girls worked hard for the win. They had trouble getting the lead, and had to come from behind in all three games. At one point during the match, they were down by an eight point deficit. But by the time the Big Red scored 20 points, PA came together and dominated the end of the games.

Well prepared by weeks of rigorous daily practice, the Lady Blue came up strong in key situations. According to Coach Clyfe

Beckwith, "The drill on the previous day of point conversion paid off."

During the game, the Lady Blue totaled 36 kills and 17 aces.

PA carried the success of the previous Wednesday to the Parents' Weekend match. Encouraged by the families in attendance, the girls played excellent volleyball against the Hoggars. Though the entire team played well, the bench was especially dominant.

The Lady Blue started with a bang, more than doubling up NMH, 30-14, in the first game. They won the second and third games, each with a score of 30-21.

The players racked up impressive stats. Emy Gelb '05 had 2 aces on 9 of 11 serves. Sarah Thomas '06 had 5 aces on 11 of 12 serves, as well as 5 kills on 10 of 13 hits. Jessie Daigneault '04 had 2 aces on 11 of 11 serves.

Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04 left her normal position as middle hitter to play as setter, and lead with nine kills at this position.

This Wednesday, the Lady Blue pummeled the Cushing Penguins. Playing on their home court, PA ran away with the

match, more than doubling the Penguins' score for the three games.

Game one was the closest, with a score of 30-16. In game two, the Lady Blue nearly tripled the 11 points scored by NMH, as the game ended 30-11. The score of the third game was 30-15. The win extended PA's record to 11-0.

"I thought that we played really well," team member Dorothy Voorhees '04 said. "We have spots where we don't quite have it working right, but after we miss two or three balls, we would get it working again. We had runs when we scored 10 in a row."

The girls dominated thanks to consistent serving. The team was successful on 85 out of 91 serving attempts, a 93 percent average.

Voorhees led the team with 21 serves out of 22 attempts. She had a great game, with a kill, four aces and two stuff blocks.

Cassie Tognoni '05 also played well, serving 11 out of 12, with two aces and three stuff blocks. The team had 27 aces all together.

"The serving was incredible," Voorhees said. "It really kept up the momentum of the team."



Volleyball Dominates St. Paul's

Andover Spikes Big Green

by Allison Wheeler
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Deerfield	0
Andover	3
St. Paul's	0

Thirteen down, three to go, as far as an undefeated season goes.



With two wins over this past week, the Andover Volleyball squad is only three wins away from what every team on campus wants: a perfect record. They outplayed Deerfield on Saturday and went onto crush St. Paul's at home Wednesday. Par for the season, they won both matches 3-0.

A week after Andover's own Parents' Weekend, the team ventured to Deerfield Academy, which was celebrating its own Parents' Weekend.

Despite a less than intimidating record of two wins and six losses, Deerfield proved to be a very formidable opponent. With their parents' cheers as motivation, the Deerfield squad was ready for a fight.

"The team came out shaky," said Coach Clyde Beckwith on the Andover squad's performance against Deerfield.

The first game of the match was close. Without the help of starter and Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04, who could not arrive until late in the match, the Lady Blue struggled to gain a convincing lead. They squeaked by their opponents, 30-27.

After winning the previous game by such a narrow margin, the squad was able to pull itself together for a big win in the second game. They nearly doubled Deerfield's score, 30-18.

Hanley's return in the third game, it was another close one, with Andover coming out on top 30-27.

Coach Beckwith said of the game, "The whole PA team shared this win."

Co-captain Devon Dickerson '04 shared her coach's admiration for the squad. Dickerson said, "I have been so pleased with the entire team this year," she said.

"Everyone has such talent and [has] shown so much dedication to the team and the game throughout the season."

The win came a little easier on Wednesday against St. Paul's. For their last home game of the season, the Lady Blue put on quite a show for the especially large crowd on hand.

They dominated the match from beginning to end. Even though St. Paul's responded to the team's quick scoring with a few rallies, Andover won all three games, 30-15, 30-16, and 30-17.

With the post-season right around the corner, the squad took advantage of the match to try different team combinations.

The team was stronger than ever with the return of Lauren Cantwell '05, who had been out with an injury to her left hand. The lower returned to form against the Pelicans, hardly showing any rust from the time off.

The team totaled 22 aces on 75 out of 89 serves and 33 kills on 69 of 76 hits.

Jessie Daigneault '04 led the team with 8 kills on 15 out of 17 hits and 2 aces on 8 of 9 serves.

Cassie Tognoni '05 served superbly, with 3 aces on 14 of 14 serves.

Despite her hand injury, Cantwell had 4 kills on 9 of 11 hits and 2 aces on 8 of 9 serves.

The team is now looking forward to the New England Championship in two weeks. Although filled with anticipation, Dickerson has mixed feelings as the season draws to a close. "I'm sad that we're nearing the end of the season because I've had so much fun with this team, but I am so excited about the tournament."

She continued, saying, "Being with the volleyball players this season has given me a new burst of energy and zeal for the game. We are working very hard in practice to end the season with a bang!"

Dickerson continued, "We are excited about the all-star game this Sunday. Because the high level of competition and interacting with players from all around New England."

As for the tournament, Dickerson said, "We are so pumped this year, and we're not going to let anybody stop us."



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Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04 (right) and Parla Alpan '06 (left) blast spikes over the net in Wednesday's win against St. Paul's.

Girls Volleyball Team Keeps Perfect Record

by Jon Hillman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

The Ladies of Andover Volleyball are undefeated. Their 2003 season has been marked by victory after dominating victory. Then why was the team so somber this past Wednesday?

The win over St. Paul's School marked the final home game in the Andover careers of the girls' senior leaders. At the heart of this year's success are four seniors, Dorothy Voorhees '04, Jessie Daigneault '04, and Co-Captains Mimi Hanley '04 and Devon Dickerson '04, whose dedication and self-sacrifice has been evident in their crafting of

an extraordinary family of players.

Sitting out most of the games against weaker opponents and occasionally supporting solely from the bench, the senior quartet has surrendered their own playing time for the rest of the team. Of the girls' selfless attitude, Assistant Coach Victor Svec said admirably, "Talk about senior leadership."

The discipline shown by all four seniors will pay off during the end-of-season championship tournament. Younger, less experienced players have been filling the spots yielded by the seniors in an effort to further develop and add even more depth to Andover's already impressive lineup. Despite the dominant seniors' absences from the court, their influence continues on the bench.

Watching a regular season game, regular in the sense that Andover is hardly being challenged, you can see that while the seniors are itching to jump in and play, they funnel their intensity almost magically into the underclassmen who have taken their spots.

When some teams occasionally give Andover a little nudge (little known fact: these girls are mortal) the inexperienced players benefit the most. Requiring not only skill and explosive strength, volleyball is "extremely psychological," as Coach Beckwith explained.

A tight game's momentum is in constant flux, and either team has the opportunity to take con-

trol after any point. In order to finish off even the easiest opponent, players must stay composed, especially so when attempting to rally back from a deficit. Aware that many of the younger players can be discouraged by a quickly returned string of points, Andover's senior quartet is something of a collective puppet master, injecting confidence and spirit into their players when needed, yet letting them fend for themselves in the understanding that they will develop faster.

Beginning with Hanley, the four is a real all-around package, certainly one of the most talented and unified groups in Andover Volleyball history. Pointing out that "Mimi could have been MVP last year," Coach Beckwith continued on to add, "[Hanley] is by far the best all-around [league player] this year." Mix in size along with honed skill and strength, and you begin to get an idea of Hanley's ability to decide a game's outcome.

Jordan had Pippen, Malone had Stockton, Hanley has Dickerson. A textbook setter who is "tied as best setter in the league," as Coach Beckwith put it, Co-captain Dickerson bears the responsibility of analyzing the game and attacking at crucial points, a job that she has excelled at and perfected during her four years as a varsity player. Able to adapt accordingly play by play, Dickerson is adept at "reading the other team and knowing our own weaknesses," added Coach Beckwith.

A perfect example of the how hard work breeds success, Daigneault's game has matured throughout her three years as a varsity player. After being a 2002 Boston Globe All-Star, an honor bestowed upon only a total of 12 league players including Hanley and Dickerson, Daigneault was still eager to improve.

With a knack for finding opponents' weaknesses, Daigneault "has always been strong," but this season, her "mental edge has skyrocketed," said Coach Beckwith. Most notably, Daigneault has focused on varying her attack, making her an even stronger player than last season.

Rounding out an impressive senior squad, Voorhees is proof of Andover's rare depth. When Andover finally brings out the big guns to make a run for the title, Voorhees will be a key factor in providing the extra edge that Andover needs to triumph. "Dorothy is one of the top 20 out of the 150 league players," said Coach Beckwith.

It is often said that the best players make those around them play better. Andover Volleyball's four seniors do that and then some. Andover's fantastic four, Hanley, Dickerson, Daigneault, and Voorhees will be the driving force in Andover's run for a title, but even more than that, their influence on Andover Volleyball will be felt even after their final game, as they have set a high standard for future players to strive to meet.

Volleyball Puts Unbeaten Season On the Line With PEA Big Red

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

It has been a fairytale season for the Andover Girls volleyball team. They are perfect at 15-0 and bursting with talent and drive. The team has given its all to every match, bouncing back from injuries and deficits. An undefeated season is in their grasp, and the only obstacle in their way is their enemy from the north, Phillips Exeter Academy.

In the past three seasons, Exeter has gone 6-0 against Andover. This year, however, Andover broke the streak with a 3-0 win on October 15. Now, the girls are ready to continue their newfound winning ways in their second game of the season against Exeter.

A win would be the icing on the cake of this amazing regular season. PA boasts perhaps the greatest team in the history of its Girls Volleyball program. Four members of the team, Lauren Cantwell '05, Jessie Daigneault '04, and Co-captains Devon Dickerson '04 and Mimi Hanley '04, were selected to the Boston Globe All-Star Team. Hanley was voted MVP of the league. The

team also has incredible depth, as the bench has carried the team on numerous occasions.

The Exeter squad is also having a solid season. Their record as of the end of October was 10-3, losing to Hotchkiss, Choate, and the Girls in Blue. Led by Coaches Scott Saltman and Joe Wolfson and Co-captains Maddy Hartzell '04 and Roxane Duka '04, they have gone 4-0 since losing to the Lady Blue in mid-October.

Andover's 3-0 win against their Exeter rivals did not come easily. Control shifted between the two Phillips teams throughout the whole game. For parts of the game, Andover trailed Exeter, only to come back and win. At one point, the Lady Blue overcame an eight-point deficit. The scores of the games were 30-23, 30-26, and 30-21.

Although Exeter was able to

find holes in the Andover defense throughout the match, the Andover squad pulled themselves together as Exeter's score approached 20 in each game. It is their ability to be confident under pressure that has kept the Lady Blue on top, and they will need to continue this in order to obtain their 16th win.

For the past four games, the Exeter team of six seniors, three uppers, and three lowers has been strong. Some of the wins were tough for the Lady Red, which was mostly their own fault, as the team sometimes has shaky passing. However, if the Red play with confidence and determination, they can be a force to be reckoned with.

"We're definitely looking at it as a big game," said Dorothy Voorhees '04. "Exeter is always a lot tougher at Andover/Exeter. We'd like to come out strong."

Four Andover Volleyballers Are *Boston Globe* All-Stars

by Alison Wheeler
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Andover Girls Varsity Volleyball team enjoyed another awesome run this past week. Not only did they continue their unbeaten season with two wins, but all four of the players that they sent to the New England All-Star Tournament this past Sunday were selected to the Boston Globe All-Star team. Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04 was voted the league's Most Valuable Player.

The girls are just one win away from an undefeated season, after they improved their record to 15-0 with wins against Worcester and Northfield Mount Hermon.

The top players of the Andover squad returned to NMH the day after their win for the league All-Star game. The top two teams, Andover and Taft, were able to bring four players to the tourney. Co-captains Devon Dickerson '04 and Hanley, Jessie Daigneault '04, and Lauren Cantwell '05 represented the Lady Blue. The top

eight teams could bring three players each, and the rest could bring just two. The coaches of each team chose who would represent the school.

"The All-Star game went really well," said Hanley. "It was fun to play with a bunch of competitive players all day, and my team won!"

After the teams played, the coaches voted on the top 12 players out of the group to be the members of the 2003 Boston Globe All-Star team. Hanley, Daigneault, Dickerson, and Cantwell were all selected.

From this elite group, the coaches voted on who would be the Globe MVP, and Hanley was chosen to receive this huge honor.

"That was definitely amazing for us to have so many people recognized," said Daigneault. "It speaks hugely to what should go on in the tournament."

The all-star game was a great opportunity to scope out the competition for the New England Championship tournament. They were able to play with the top players from Hotchkiss and Taft, two very strong teams that they did not get to play during the regular season.

Hotchkiss is 11-2 this season, falling to Choate 3-1 and Taft 3-0.

Taft, meanwhile, is undefeated.

"We scouted out Taft's competition," said Cantwell. "They have strong hitters and very good setter, but if we work hard on defense and blocking until [the tournament], then we should be set to go."

Taft is the only other team in the league aside from Andover to remain undefeated this season. The two are neck-and-neck for the #1 seed in the tournament.

The battle will come down to whether Taft remains undefeated this week. If they lose, Andover will be the #1 seed and get a bye in the first round of the tournament, beginning play in the semi-finals. If Taft's record remains perfect, then the Lady Blue will be ranked #2 and play the #7 seed in the quarterfinals.

SPORT: Boys Water Polo
YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: Aaron Stroble
HOME TOWN: Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

MANAGER(S): _____

HOME TOWN(S) _____

COACH: Scott Hoening

ASSISTANT COACH(S): _____

SEASON RECORD

WIN 8 LOST 8 TIED 0





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Boys Water Polo

2003

1	Jed Kelly '04	<i>New York City, NY</i>	6'4"	185 lbs.
1a	Chris Zegel '05	<i>East Falmouth, MA</i>	6'3"	195 lbs.
2	Adam Draper '04	<i>Atherton, CA</i>	6'2"	165 lbs.
3	Peter Accomando '05	<i>Andover, MA</i>	5'9"	147 lbs.
4	Jamie Neuwirth '06	<i>Ross, CA</i>	5'11"	156 lbs.
5	Jeffrey Zhou '06	<i>Getzville, NY</i>	5'9"	135 lbs.
6	Peter Whalen '04	<i>San Juan Capistran, CA</i>	5'10"	125 lbs.
7	Aaron Stroble '04 (captain)	<i>Dhahran, Saudi Arabia</i>	6'4"	200 lbs.
8	Garrett Kirk '04	<i>Boston, MA</i>	6'3"	185 lbs.
9	Paul Randt '04	<i>Beijing, China</i>	6'2"	165 lbs.
10	R. Scout Kingery '04	<i>Portland, OR</i>	6'2"	165 lbs.
11	Robert Anderson '06	<i>Orinda, CA</i>	6'3"	160 lbs.
12	Robert Gucwa '04	<i>Glenwood Springs, CO</i>	6'0"	140 lbs.
14	Ryan Ferguson '07	<i>Andover, MA</i>	5'7"	128 lbs.
16	David Morse '04	<i>Atyrau, Kazakhstan</i>	6'1"	160 lbs.
17	Jeffrey Cutts '06	<i>Andover, MA</i>	5'8"	170 lbs.
18	Charles Francis '07	<i>Pelham, NY</i>	5'10"	165 lbs.

Coach: Scott Hoenig
Assistant: Chad Stern
Manager:

Athletic Director: Martha Fenton
Trainers: Brian Cox, Kathy Birecki, Mike Kuta
Equipment Manager: Blaine Austin
School Physician: Richard Keller, M.D.

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-13-03

OPPONENT: Loomis / NIMH / Hopkins

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

9/13/03

Boys Water Polo Splits Two Games In Opening Weekend Tourney

The boys water polo team faced Loomis Chaffee and Hopkins on Saturday, with both games played at Loomis. The games were tournament-style, with 5-minute quarters, rather than the usual 7-minute periods.

In the first game, Loomis surprised the Blue, establishing a 3-1 lead in the first quarter. Andover fought back, however, gaining a 5-4 lead in the third. A Loomis goal at the end of the third quarter tied the score at 5-5. Late in the 4th quarter, a PA e'clusion gave Loomis a man-up opportunity, on which they capitali"ed and retook the lead 6-5. Again the Blue fought back and with 0:33 left in the game earned a man-up opportunity.

Andover was able to get two shots off before time e'pired, but neither went in. Final score: 5-6, Loomis. Andover's goals and assists came from Jamie Neuwirth '06, Aaron Stroble (captain) '04, Paull Randt '04, Rob Anderson '06, Robert Gucwa '04 and Dave Morse '04, and making saves in goal was Jed Kelly '04.

In the following game, against Hopkins, Andover scored one goal in each of the first two quarters (Anderson, Randt) while holding Hopkins scoreless. The Big Blue came alive in the second half, however, putting away three in the third (Anderson, Garrett Kirk '04, Stroble) and two in the fourth (Neuwirth, Stroble). Assists were made by Morse, Neuwirth and Stroble. Hopkins scored once in the fourth quarter. Final score: 7-1, Andover.

Andover faces Loomis again this coming Saturday (9/20) at home, but will meet 2002 League Tournament Champion Exeter before then, in a home game on Wednesday (9/17).

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-17-03

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

9/17/03

Exeter Dominates In Early Season Match With Boys Water Polo

The boys water polo team hosted Exeter's varsity and JV teams on Wednesday. As might be expected from the 2002 league tournament champions, Exeter's varsity squad came out quite strong against the Blue in the first half, holding Andover to one goal (Dave Morse '04) while putting away seven of their own, in spite of eight saves by Andover goalkeeper Jed Kelly '04. Exeter continued to dominate on offense in the third quarter with repeated fast break counter attacks, increasing their goal-count by nine. A lone goal by Rob Anderson '06 in the third brought the score to 16-2. The blue started to turn things around in the 4th, scoring three goals (Morse, Anderson, Robert Gucwa '04) to Exeter's two, but the effort was not enough to overcome a 14 point deficit. Assists in the game were made by Aaron Stroble '04 and Paull Randt '04. Final score: 5-19, Exeter. In the JV match Garrett Kirk '04 dominated the hole position on offense, scoring eight out of Andover's 11 goals. Other goals and assists were made by Peter Whalen '04 and Adam Draper '04. Final score: 11-15, Exeter.

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-20-03

OPPONENT: Loomis

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: Andover 11 Loomis 6

9/20/03

Boys Water Polo Can't Keep Pace With Loomis

The Andover boys water polo team hosted Loomis Chaffee on Saturday with the visitors earning an 11-6 win. During the first quarter the two teams traded points, with Aaron Stroble '04 and Jamie Neuwirth '06 putting goals in for the Blue. Loomis struck hard in the second, however, holding Andover scoreless while adding three to their tally, finishing out the half up 6-2. Turning things around on defense in the third quarter, the Blue held the Pelicans scoreless, but were able to put away only one goal (Stroble). With the first goal of the fourth quarter by Paull Randt '04, Andover pulled within two. However, repeated lapses by the Andover defense enabled Loomis to score an additional five goals. Back-to-back scores by Stroble and Dave Morse '04 in the last two minutes of the game were not enough to overcome the Pelicans' lead. PA Goalkeeper Jed Kelly '04 had his best showing of the year, with 16 saves and many well-placed offensive feeds. Assists were made by Stroble and Garrett Kirk '04.

DATE OF CONTEST: 9-27-03

OPPONENT: NMH / Suffield

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: ANDOVER 2 SUFFIELD 4

9/27/03

Water Polo Drops Pair to Suffield and NMH

The PA Boys Water Polo team is having a tough time finding ways to win. Despite some solid play thus far this season, the team has very little to show for it. Out of the gates at 1-3 going into this weekend, the boys were looking to put things together and even up the win-loss record with a few victories against Suffield and NMH in a three team tourney at Northfield-Mt. Hermon on Saturday. In the PA's first game of the afternoon against Suffield, costly mistakes and myriad missed opportunities resulted in a frustrating 4-2 loss. Robert Gucwa (04) and Jamie Neuwirth (06) had the teams two goals. A much improved NMH team, having lost to Suffield in overtime earlier in the day, surprised PA with an 8-1 victory in the second contest of the day. Andover again played good team defense for most of the game, but could not get the offense rolling. The lack of pressure on NMH's defense eventually resulted in costly turnovers that NMH was able to capitalize on. Despite a big push to get something going in the second half, PA offensive frustrations continued, and they let the game slip away by giving up 4 in the third quarter. Paull Randt (04) finally put one home on a fast break pass from Jed Kelly (04) to make the score 7-1 with 2:30 in the final quarter, saving the team from suffering a shutout. Choate comes to campus ne't weekend for what is now a must win as the Big Blue looks to turn the season around.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-04-03

OPPONENT: Choate

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: ANDOVER 8 CHOATE 9

10/4/2003

Late Water Polo Rally Leads To Photo Finish With Choate

With only one win under their belt so far this season, the water polo boys were looking for a much needed victory against Choate this weekend. Choate put in the first goal of the game a minute and a half into the first quarter, but Andover's Jamie Neuwirth '06 answered with a goal of his own less than thirty seconds later. Some sloppy play in front of the goal led to a second Choate score, bringing the tally to 1-2 at the end of the first quarter. Mistakes by the Blue offense in the second quarter resulted in several scoring opportunities for Choate, whose offense had begun to come alive. Choate put away four goals that quarter while keeping Andover scoreless. Score at half: 1-6. Choate opened the second half with a goal to put their lead to six. The Blue drew their first exclusion of the game in the first minute of the third quarter and took advantage of the man-up opportunity to score their second goal (Dave Morse '04). With less than three minutes to play in the third Choate put another point on the board to reclaim their six-point advantage (2-8). In the same minute, Andover drew a kick-out and used the advantage to open up Paull Randt '04 on the corner for an unassisted goal. Another kick-out a minute later and another goal by Randt closed the deficit to four goals. The Andover offense kept rolling as Neuwirth put away his second goal of the game, and Randt scored a third during another Choate exclusion. The Blue had made it a two-point game (6-8). The momentum from the third quarter continued into the fourth with a third Neuwirth goal and the tying shot put in by Robert Gucwa '04. With the score 8-8, Choate then ended their scoring drought late in the fourth quarter during a man-up opportunity following an Andover kick-out. Down by one point, Andover drew their seventh Choate exclusion of the game with fifteen seconds to play. As the clock ticked down, the Blue looked for any opportunity to put the ball in the back of the net but came up short. The final score was 8-9 in favor of the Choate Wild Boars. Assists in the game came from Neuwirth, Gucwa, captain Aaron Stroble '04 and Rob Anderson '06. Stroble currently leads the team in assists with Neuwirth the leading goal-scorer. The Big Blue hosts Worcester Academy on Wednesday.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-08-03

OPPONENT: Worcester

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: ANDOVER 15 WORCESTER 2

10/8/2003

Boys Water Polo Dunks Worcester

Andover water polo ended their losing streak on Wednesday with a 15-2 victory over Worcester Academy. Goal scorers were Jamie Neuwirth '06 (three goals), captain Aaron Stroble '04 (five goals), Rob Anderson '06 (three goals), Robert Gucwa '04 (two goals) and Dave Morse '04 (two goals). Assists were made by Neuwirth, Anderson, Morse, Jeff Cutts '06 and goalie Jed Kelly '04. Kelly had three saves with no goals against, and back-up goalkeeper Chris Zegel '05 stopped seven shots.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-11-03

OPPONENT: Williston Northhampton

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: ANDOVER 12 Williston 11

10/11/2003

Water Polo Outlasts Williston In Tight Battle

The water polo team traveled to Easthampton on Saturday, anticipating a close match against the Williston Northampton School. Missing Garrett Kirk '04 and Peter Whalen '04, Andover's numbers were low. Nevertheless, the Blue came out hard and fast in the first quarter, scoring two fast break goals in the first two minutes of play (Dave Morse '04 and Paull Randt '04). Morse scored again following a Williston ejection to put the Blue out in front by three. During the last 10 seconds of the first quarter, however, Williston put a penalty shot in following an Andover personal foul. Two and a half minutes into the second quarter, another personal foul was called against Andover. Williston took advantage of this second penalty shot to close the gap to one goal. Williston's rough and frantic style of play distracted the Blue during the second quarter, leading to defensive lapses and mistakes on offense. Captain Aaron Stroble '04 put away the only Blue goal of the period, while Williston scored two in a row to bring the score to 4-4 at the half. Andover took advantage of the halftime break to regain their composure and focus on a game plan that included a tight perimeter defense and quick ball movement on offense. Less than a minute into the second half, Jamie Neuwirth '06 put the ball in the back of the net to retake the lead 5-4. Goals by Stroble and Randt, both during Williston exclusions, gave the Blue a three point buffer.

The tide turned during the middle of the third quarter, though, when Williston scored two in a row, one of which was during an Andover kick-out. Stroble took advantage of Williston's 4th exclusion of the period to put the ball in the net, but in the last twenty seconds of the quarter, Williston put one in to bring the Blue's lead back to one. Williston's momentum continued into the fourth quarter, with two goals in the first two and a half minutes. Behind for the first time in the game, the Blue came roaring back with three goals in a row by Neuwirth to put the count to 11-9. An Andover exclusion gave Williston a scoring opportunity, on which they capitalized, and a goal by Rob Anderson '06 on a Williston kick-out regained a two point lead by the Blue. A defensive lapse during the last two minutes of play allowed Williston to get within one point of the Blue. A tight and aggressive Andover defense during the final minute resulted in two steals, the second of which occurred with only 20 seconds left. Some smart passing kept the ball out of Williston's hands, and the clock ticked down to a Blue victory. Final score: 12-11. Goalkeeper Jed Kelly '04 played a great game, with fifteen saves, including a few one-on-goal situations. Anderson had his best game of the season at the 2-M hole position, creating many opportunities for the Blue. Andover hopes to maintain the momentum of their last two wins as they face NMH at home this weekend.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-18-03

OPPONENT: N.M.H.

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: ANDOVER 18 NMH 12

10/18/03

Boys Water Polo Surges Past Northfield-Mt. Hermon

Andover faced Northfield-Mount Hermon on Saturday for the second time this season. Three weeks ago, the Hoggars hosted the Big Blue, soundly defeating PA by a score of 8-1 with the help of the NMH All-American Hole-set, a player PA has had to defend for the past two years since he is a post-grad from the Hotchkiss School. The tone of this very physical game was set from the very beginning. In the first three minutes of play, two ejections each by NMH and Andover resulted in two goals for each squad, with Jamie Neuwirth '06, and Dave Morse '04, scoring for the Blue. A double kick-out in the next minute of play resulted in a 6-on-4 advantage for the Hoggars, but some tight defense and a great save by goalkeeper Jed Kelly '04, kept the score tied for the moment. NMH put one away just thirty seconds later, however, but Neuwirth came through in the final minute of the quarter to tie the score at 3-3. The ejections continued in the second quarter, with all three of NMH's goals coming during man-up opportunities. However, two goals each by captain Aaron Stroble '04, and Paull Randt '04, gave Andover the lead (7-6) at the end of the first half. The Blue were in a tenuous position, though, with Stroble and Rob Anderson '06 each marked with two ejections (three results in removal from the game), and Randt, Neuwirth and Morse with one each. The third quarter saw more ejections, but this time it was Andover who had the man-up advantages. It was during this quarter that one of the Hoggars' stronger defensive players was hit with two ejections, which brought his total to three (removal from game). Andover scored two goals during that player's ejections (Neuwirth and Stroble) in addition to other goals by Randt and Anderson. At the close of the third quarter Andover held a small lead 11-9. The NMH hole-set's fourth goal of the game, coming a minute and a half into the fourth quarter, closed the Blue lead to one point. Neuwirth answered that goal with one of his own, but was ejected during the next play, bringing his ejection count to two, and forcing the Blue to take him out of the hole defensive position (a position from which Stroble and Anderson had also been removed due to their ejection count). At the beginning of the third minute of fourth quarter play, a second NMH player was removed from the game following his third kick-out. This player, as well as the Hogger previously removed, had been the backbone of the NMH defense. Without them, holes began to open up. The Blue put away seven goals in the next four minutes of play (Neuwirth (2), Robert Gucwa '04, Randt, Morse, Garrett Kirk '04, Peter Whalen '04). Two NMH goals in the last thirty seconds were not enough to overcome the Blue's scoring surge. Final score 18-12.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-25-03

OPPONENT: Deerfield

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: ANDOVER 13 DEERFIELD 9

10/25/03

Boys Water Polo Surges Past Deerfield At the Finish

The Blue faced the Green this Saturday as Andover water polo traveled to Deerfield for a very important game. The JV team got the day off to a good start with a 5-4 victory over the hosts in Green. Garrett Kirk '04 kept his scoring streak alive (goals in every JV game this season) by scoring two, along with Ryan Ferguson '07. Jeff Cutts '06 put one away as well. Goalkeeper Chris Zegel '05 had 10 saves in the game. In the varsity match, the Green got off to a fast start, scoring a goal on a backhand shot nine seconds into the first quarter. The Big Blue answered with three goals in a row

(Jamie Neuwirth '06, Robert Gucwa '04, Rob Anderson '06). The momentum shifted as Neuwirth was ejected twice in the next two minutes of play, offering Deerfield two man-up opportunities on which they capitalized. A second goal by Gucwa was answered by the Green to bring the score to 4-4 at the close of the first quarter of play. Andover took advantage of a man-up opportunity in the first two minutes of the second quarter to regain the lead (Aaron Stroble '04), but the lead was short-lived. Deerfield scored the next four goals, bringing the score to 5-8 and threatening to put the game out of reach. An outside shot by Dave Morse '04 with under two minutes to go in the half completely stopped the Green momentum, though, and Stroble picked up a goal just thirty seconds later to bring the Blue within one at 7-8.

The third quarter saw both squads struggling to organize its offense against the other's strengthening defensive focus. A total of three goals were scored that quarter, two of which were Blue scores during man-up opportunities (Paull Randt '04, Morse). It was during this quarter that Neuwirth returned to the game, having been substituted as a precaution against getting a third ejection (removal from game). Heading into the fourth quarter the score was tied at 9's. Both Blue and Green squads were showing signs of fatigue as they sprinted down the pool to start the quarter. The exception was Neuwirth, who had re-entered the game in the previous quarter. He put one away in the first minute of play and then followed that up with two more, both following green kickouts. Gucwa drew a personal foul in the last three minutes of play. This resulted in a penalty shot, which was successfully executed by Stroble. The Blue held the Green scoreless in the entire final quarter. Final score: 13-9 in favor of Andover.

After a slow start, goalkeeper Jed Kelly came alive and had an incredible second half, with nine saves on the day and several great feeds. Jeff Zhou had his best game yet, with several steals and defensive stops. Andover faces Exeter on Wednesday and Hotchkiss the following Saturday.

DATE OF CONTEST: 10-29-03

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: ANDOVER 7 EXETER 17

10/29/03

Water Polo Has Strong Outing Versus Powerful PEA

The boys water polo team played one of the best games of their season on Wednesday against a very fast and highly physical Exeter squad. The Blue did quite well shutting down Exeter's set-up offense, but were unable to effectively stop the fast break counter-attack. Andover scored a total of 7 goals to Exeter's 17. The Blue JV also played well in their game, putting away 10 to Exeter's 18.

10/25/03

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-01-03

OPPONENT: Hatchkiss @ Williston

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-08-03

OPPONENT: Interscholastic

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

11/8/03

Boys Water Polo Wins Consolation Tournament With Two Thrilling Victories

Having lost to Hotchkiss the previous weekend, the boys water polo team finished up the regular season without an opportunity to play into the final-four tournament. Ranked seventh in the league, Andover traveled to Choate on Saturday to play in the 5-8 consolation tourney. The Big Blue's first game of the day was against sixth-ranked Choate, to whom PA had lost during the regular season, 8-9. The Choate-Andover game started off shaky for the Blue, with three Andover ejections in the first four minutes of play, the third on which saw Choate put away the first goal of the game. Rob Anderson '06 answered with a goal for PA to close the first quarter even up at 1-1. Some great defensive plays, including several saves by goalkeeper Jed Kelly '04, led to several offensive opportunities for the Blue in the second quarter. Dave Morse '04 and Jamie Neuirth '06 each put one away, and Anderson scored his second goal of the game. Choate was equally determined on offense, however, and was able to net three of their own to tie the score 4-4 going into the half. Andover gained their first lead of the game when Aaron Stroble '04 scored on a Choate exclusion less than a minute into the second half. A Blue kick-out a minute later gave Choate the opportunity they needed to tie the score once again. Stroble put away a 4-meter penalty shot following a personal foul to retake the lead. Paull Randt '04 took advantage of another Choate exclusion to add to the Blue lead - a lead that would last for the remainder of the game. Stroble scored two more goals in the third quarter, and Anderson put away his third goal of the game in the fourth. Choate was able to score only two more goals, to finish the game with 7 points to Andover's 10.

The Blue victory over Choate put them into the final game of the tournament against traditional rival and eighth seed Williston Northampton, who had defeated the fifth seed Deerfield in the first round of the day. Andover had defeated Williston in both of their previous matches during the season, but the games were both quite close. The Blue went up 3-0 in the second quarter with goals by Morse, Anderson and Stroble. Williston came fighting back late in the second quarter, however, putting away four goals to offset two more PA goals by Anderson and Morse. Andover clung to a one point lead (5-4) going into the second half. Williston carried their momentum over into the third quarter, scoring two goals while holding the Blue scoreless. Things looked up for Andover in the third, however, when they were able to draw a third ejection (removal from the game) on Williston's leading scorer. With this player out of the game, the Blue were able to focus on their offensive play. A Williston goal less than a minute into the fourth quarter extended their lead to two: 5-7. Anderson's third goal of the game brought the Blue within one and a high-pressure (successful) 4-meter penalty shot by Stroble tied the game with three minutes to play. Two exclusions in a row on Williston gave the Blue two man-up opportunities, on which they capitalized (Robert Gucwa '04 and Neuirth), to re-establish their lead at two goals. Eleven seconds after Neuirth's goal, a Williston goal brought the score to 9-8. With twenty seconds left in regulation time, Williston drew an Andover ejection and gained a man-up opportunity. The Blue's final defensive stand was successful and the team finished the game with a 9-8 victory.

Andover's victories at this tournament enabled the team to jump from seventh place to fifth overall in the final league standings.

PA goal keeper Jed Kelly was a huge factor in the game, with thirteen saves, including a few one-on-goal situations early on. Saturday's victory is the third in a row for the Big Blue. At this point in the season, Neuirth leads the team in goals scored (21) with Stroble leading in assists (13). Andover travels to Deerfield on Saturday .

Andover Downs Hopkins; Boys Slip Against Big Red

by Dave Morse

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Loomis	6
Andover	5
Andover	7
Hopkins	1
Exeter	18
Andover	6

The Boys Water Polo team got doused with a splash of cold



water after Wednesday's game against Exeter, leaving the Big Blue with a 1-2 record.

Although the Exeter water polo team is known throughout the prep school league for its oversized swim team recruits, the Boys in Blue still came out to the pool deck ever hopeful. Despite being down by five goals after the first quarter of play, Andover did not ditch hope and came up with a new strategy to best their archrival. After Exeter scored two more goals, the Big Blue answered with a left-handed goal by David Morse '04. The tally at halftime was 9-1, Exeter. In the third quarter, Rob Anderson '06 sneaked a goal in from the 2-meter mark. However, Exeter came back and proceeded to deliver nine balls to the back of the Andover net.

Andover then shut out Exeter in the fourth quarter, while Anderson, Morse and Robert Gucwa '04 tallied one goal each. Unfortunately for the Big Blue, the game ended with a 18-6 win for Exeter. Captain Aaron Stroble '04 summed up the game, "I don't see the strength and skill that we had during the game when I look at the scoreboard. We played very solidly throughout,[but] Exeter just found our soft spots and capitalized."

Last Saturday the team headed to Loomis Chaffee for a double header against the Loomis

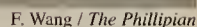
Pelicans and Hopkins. In the first game of the season the year before, Loomis had managed to manhandle the Big Blue, ending the game with a score of 10-1 in favor of the Pelicans. This year the boys were confident that this year's opening game would not be a repeat event.

Once play commenced, however, Andover's hopes were as Loomis managed to lay three goals in the net after the first quarter. The Big Blue still fought back with newfound vigor and composure and by the third quarter had scratched out a lead of 5-4. To Andover's dismay, though, Loomis scored to tie the game in the final quarter. With one minute left in the game, Loomis took advantage during a man-up situation and set themselves in the lead by one goal.

With 20 seconds left in the game, Andover's boys found themselves in a man-up situation. After two blistering shots to the goal were rejected, the buzzer sounded and all was finished. Though a hearty riposte after last year's results, the Big Blue was still slightly miffed. Paull Randt '04 said, "We played better water polo than they did, and they know it. We just had a few hiccups to start with. They won't be as confident in our next meeting together."

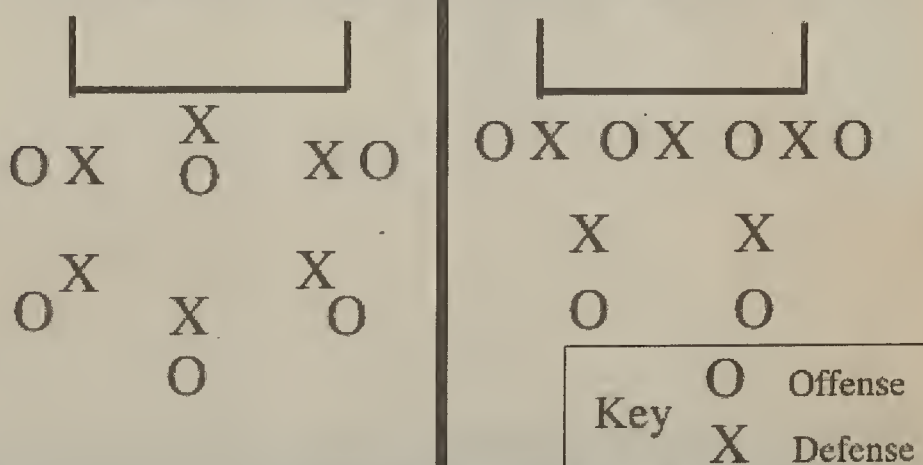
The following hour Andover jumped into the pool yet again to face off against Hopkins, a team unique in that it is a coed. However, Hopkins was no match for the Big Blue, who placed the ball in the net nine times, while allowing only one goal against them. The win served to relieve the Blue's feeling of dejection from the previous game.

Tomorrow the boys are out for revenge in a home game against Loomis Chaffee. Stroble said, "This Saturday we are gonna hand it to them."



by Kristina Chang
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS EDITOR

Regular Setup vs. Man Up (6 on 5)



The Blue will face the Pelicans tomorrow. Hopefully, with another week of practice under their belt, the Boys Water Polo team will be able to slaughter the Pelicans.

Boys Polo Rebounds With Win



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Jeff Zhou '06 fends off a Worcester defender en route to the Blue's second victory of the fall 2003 season.

by Dave Morse
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	15
Worcester	2
Choate	9
Andover	8

Something happened to the Andover boys' water polo team last Saturday. Something clicked; the team found its groove. Unfortunately, this came two quarters and seven goals too late.

In their game against Choate-Rosemary Hall, the boys looked to end a horrible losing streak. PA planned to come out aggressive ly with guns blazing, hoping to take advantage of Choate's physically slight team. The boys in blue soon realized that their rivals were quite

speedy in the water, and only managed to keep the score subdued at 2-1 Choate by the end of the first quarter.

In the second quarter the PA team hit an all-time low, allowing 5 straight goals. With the score 1-7 at halftime, Andover decided to wake up. After an inspirational speech given by Coach Chad Stern '94, Andover rose from the dead in the fourth to tie the score at 8-8, with hat tricks from both Paull Randt '04 and Jamie Neuwirth '06, and goals scored by Robert Gucwa '04 and Dave Morse '04.

Late in the fourth quarter Andover received an ejection and left Choate with a man-up situation on which they capitalized. The scoring shot slipped through two Andover players' hands and past goalie Jed Kelly '04. Down by one goal and with only 20 seconds left on the clock, Andover found itself in a man-up situation of its own. The sheer excitement of the prospect of coming back from such a loss to stay in the game left

the Andover players too anxious to focus, and the ball never drove home before the final buzzer. The moment was not unlike the final seconds of the first game of the season against Loomis Chaffee, in which PA lost 6-5.

Of honorable mention was the performance of the B team in its game against Choate. The Andover players managed a win of 8-7, with goals scored by Garrett Kirk '04, Jeff Zhou '06, Scout Kingery '04, Peter Whalen '04, and Adam Draper '04.

On Wednesday, Andover had a show down with Worcester Academy, a team that they had never previously played. Not knowing what to expect, PA looked to come out and play with the same cohesiveness that they displayed late in the game the weekend before.

In addition to the many beautiful plays set by Andover during the game, the PA team performed well on the whole. The Andover goals tallied up. Neuwirth captured yet

another hat trick, as did Rob Anderson '06. Captain Aaron Stroble '04 powered his way to fire five shots into the back of the cage, while Gucwa and Morse rounded off the scoring at two a piece. The final score for the day was 15-2 Andover.

The win was a much-needed break from a string of losses. Randt said, "If only we had realized our own potential from the get-go, our season thus far would have looked very different."



THE BREAKDOWN: WATER POLO

by Dave Morse
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Offense:

The hole-set position is regarded as the most cutthroat and rough spot in the water. Wrestling matches over ball possession occur every time the ball is set in the hole. It takes brawn, guts, and a lot of tolerance for pain to make a good hole-set. The two players on Andover's team that feel most comfortable playing at the 2-meter are Captain Aaron Stroble and Rob Anderson '06. A recent problem in games has been the "extra attention" Stroble gets when occupying the 2-meter. Rival teams see Stroble as such a threat at the 2-meter that they make every player attempt to play defense on both Stroble and their own marked man. In such situations, Stroble retires to the perimeter and Anderson, our little known secret weapon, steps up to take Stroble's place in the 2-meter. He does a more-than-adequate job of filling Stroble's shoes, and he even manages to rack up goals, claiming two hat tricks in the past 3 games.

Anyone not playing at the 2-meter is considered a driver. Drivers generally reside on a perimeter around the goal and constantly drive towards the goal in hopes of getting a free shot at the cage. This position requires great speed and endurance in the water, and a keen sense of timing, also. Seniors Pauli Randt '04, Morse, Robert Gucwa '04, and Jaime Neuwrith '06 and Rob Anderson '06 are effective as drivers in creating scoring opportunities. Of particular note are Gucwa and Neuwrith, who both posses incredible sprinting and scoring ability. Randt and lefty Morse, coupled with their amazing treading strength, are big scorers when posted at the flat positions.

Northfield Mount Hermon:

Usually a team that is lacking depth and experience in their lineup, this year's NMH squad is lacking nothing. NMH's unusually strong team boasts an All-American hole-set, a dominating lefty, and several other talented players. In their last meeting with Andover, NMH went up 7-1. It looks like the Andover Boys Varsity Water polo team will have to step it up to impress parents and visitors this weekend.

Jed Kelly '04 - Goalkeeper



Just in his second season as Andover's starting goalkeeper, Kelly has shot up amongst the ranks of the best in the league. He is one of PA's key players in the water and a trustworthy last line of defense. A basketball player at heart, his acquired hand-eye skills and sweeping arms make him an ideal specimen in the goal. In the past week of play, Kelly tallied over 25 saves. "I have a harder time putting the ball in the back of the cage during practice than during games," driver Dave Morse '04 remarked on Kelly's ability.

Aaron Stroble '04 - Hole Set



This 6'4", 200 lb Hole Set is a large presence in the waters of the Borden natorium. His superior skills and strict work ethic make him one of the best in the league at his trade. In the past week alone, Stroble has scored 8 goals and helped to add two more wins to Andover's record. Said teammate Jaime Neuwrith '06, "There isn't much you can do when playing against Aaron, he just dominates over everyone." His strength as a leader and as a player in the water has given the team direction and drive this season.

Boys Water Polo Sinks Green; Kelly '04 Registers Nine Saves

by Dave Morse
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	13
Deerfield	9
Exeter	17
Andover	7

The past two weeks have been host to incredible performances by the Andover Boys Water Polo team. Unfortunately, its four-game winning streak did not stand a

chance when pitted against the best team in the league and dreaded archrival, Phillips Exeter, this past Wednesday. Despite a stalwart effort, Exeter's ability simply eclipsed Andover's.

During Parent's Weekend, Andover avenged a loss earlier this season by beating the Northfield Mount Hermon Hoggers 18-12. Last Saturday, Andover, along with the rest of the PA athletics teams, headed to Deerfield to face a team renowned for its slight yet speedy players. Andover expected to work hard, as Deerfield had recently challenged the



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Jaime Neuwirth '06 looks to pass the ball to a teammate during Saturday's game against Deerfield Academy.

dreaded Exies in overtime.

By half time, the score and team looked glum, to say the least. At 5-8, PA was looking to save face before the game was over. They refused to give up, however. Armed with a new vigor about them, the Andover

boys tied the score at 9-9 by the end of the 3rd quarter.

The supposedly speedy Deerfield swimmers began faltering in their strokes and losing stamina. Andover simply kept hammering away, ending the

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Jeff Cutts '06 lobs a pass to an open teammate during Andover's 13-9 win over Williston last Saturday.

Water Polo Takes Williston

by Dave Morse

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	13
Williston	9
Hotchkiss	7
Andover	2

The waves were up and down for the Blue Water Polo team this past weekend. Playing in a mini-tournament, the boys tallied a 13-9 comeback win over Williston, but dropped a 7-2 game to Hotchkiss.

The mini-tournament was designed to determine the teams that would advance to the final tournament of the four best teams in the league. In order to get invited to the tournament the Boys had to beat Hotchkiss, a formidable opponent that Andover had never played before.

The Big Blue hopped in the pool with great enthusiasm and was ready to complete their season with a big win. As the game advanced, Hotchkiss slipped in a few goals during moments of lapse by PA.

At halftime Hotchkiss led Andover 4-0, but the Boys were not about to give up.

In the third quarter, Andover started their comeback and deposited two carefully orchestrated goals into the back of the Hotchkiss net.

Unfortunately, Hotchkiss also was able to sneak in two goals of

their own, making the score 6-2 at the start of the fourth quarter. A comeback was still possible, and the boys denied any thoughts of losing. Though something about the day was not right, as Andover allowed one last goal to blow by into their net, making the score 7-2 at the game's end. Disheartened, the boys climbed out of the pool to ready themselves for the next game against Williston.

The wing shooters in PA's man-up offense, Neuwirth and Morse, were not hitting their marks, as at least six man-up scoring opportunities were thrown away. This came as a great frustration to the water polo team, as they pride themselves on their assured scoring ability in man-up situations.

The loss to Hotchkiss closed PA's chances to enter the final-four tournament, so their next game did not matter in terms of rank in the league. The boys were going in the water for purposes of retribution.

Williston proved to be a solid adversary, keeping the score even at 9-9 by the end of the third quarter. Andover then turned on the afterburner and scored four consecutive goals in the fourth quarter, leaving Williston's hope of winning trampled.

The win against Williston removed the chip off the shoulder of the Water Polo team.

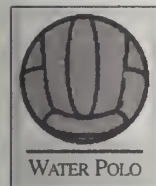
Andover Boys Water Polo Sinks Choate Rosemary Hall, Williston

by Dave Morse

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"This has definitely been my best season on the [Andover] team," reflected



Captain Aaron Stroble '04 on the bus ride back from interschols last Saturday. "I had

so much fun, I feel like we did a really great job this season."

Stroble had reason to be pleased with his team's season after their play in the final games.

The water polo team ended

the season with a bang, winning both games in their tournament, which placed them fifth in the league.

Although the Blue did not manage to make it to the "final four" tournament at Hotchkiss, their showing at the Choate Interscholastic tournament was an extremely strong performance.

In their first game, against home team Choate, the boys looked to exact revenge on a one-goal loss in their previous encounter. The speedy Choate team put up a good fight, as the score was tied at 4-4 by half-time.

The Big Blue then pulled ahead as the Choate defense began to break down. Using their newly perfected double hole-set, Andover confused the Choate players, as this offensive formation is seldom seen in the league.

With some tag-team action from Stroble and Rob Anderson '06 in the hole, Andover's lead increased steadily through the second half of the game. The game ended with a 10-7 win for PA.

The second game at Interschols was a fight for fifth place in league standing. Andover got paired up with Williston, a strong shooting team that the Blue had already beaten twice before in the regular season.

Williston was keen to come out victorious, almost as hungry as the boys in blue.

Dave Morse '04 scored early in the game off of a stolen pass. Stroble and Anderson dominated in hole, each putting in several goals.

Despite their best efforts, PA

was down 5-6 at the half. Determined not to let their last game of the season slip away, the team rallied a great effort. Still, they were unable to break ahead, as the score remained stagnant at 5-6 for the whole third quarter.

With Williston's key hole-set kicked out of the game in the last seconds of the third, Andover looked to capitalize during the remaining game.

In the fourth quarter Andover stepped it up. In their final minutes of play for the season, PA sunk 4 goals into the net, while Williston only managed to put in one.

With the score at 9-7, and 35 seconds remaining on the clock, Williston rocketed a shot from outside of the seven-meter mark. The goal brought Williston within one point of PA.

Some aggressive play led to the ejection of Jaime Neuwirth '06 with only 11 seconds remaining on the clock. Frantically trying to stop any ball within reach, Andover fought relentlessly for the remaining time.

One final effort by Williston sent a well-placed shot toward the bottom corner of the goal but goalie Jed Kelly '04 dove to save the ball.

The clock ran out and Andover climbed out of the pool, having beaten Williston for the third time in a row. The win brought the squad's final end of season mark to 9-8.

Kelly said, "We never got a chance to prove ourselves in the final four tournament, but I think the whole team felt satisfied on the bus ride home. It was a good end to a fun season."

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Hockey (B V)	Brooks	A	1:30
Tuesday, November 18			
Squash (B V)	Harvard	A	4:30
Wednesday, November 19			
Basketball (B V)	CLARK UNIVERSITY	H	5:30
Basketball (G V)	Brewster Academy	A	3:30
Hockey (B V)	Tilton	A	4:00
Hockey (G V)	TOP GUN	H	5:30
Wednesday, December 3			
Basketball (B V)	ST. MARK'S	H	3:00
Basketball (G V)	Governor Dummer	A	3:00
Hockey (B V)	LAWRENCE ACADEMY	H	3:00
Hockey (G V)	B.B.&N.	H	5:00
Squash (B V)	Belmont Hill	A	3:00
Friday, December 5			
Basketball (G V)	METHUEN HS	H	3:00
Saturday, December 6			
Basketball (B JV1)	CUSHING	H	3:00
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Hockey (B JV1)	CHELMSFORD HS	H	4:30
Hockey (B V)	St. Mark's	A	2:30
Hockey (G JV)	Governor Dummer	A	2:30
Hockey (G V)	ST. MARK'S	H	2:30
Squash (B JV1)	TABOR	H	3:45
Squash (B V)	TABOR	H	3:45
Squash (G JV1)	Tabor	A	3:45
Squash (G V)	Tabor	A	3:45
Squash (G V)	Milton	A	2:30
Swimming (B V)	BARRACUOAS	H	3:00
Swimming (G V)	BARRACUOAS	H	3:00
Wrestling (B JV)	GDA/Rox Latin	A	3:00
Wrestling (B V)	Governor Dummer/Rox Latin	A	3:00
Saturday, December 13			
Basketball (B V)	TILTON	H	2:00
Basketball (G V)	HARVARO	H	4:00
Sunday, December 14			
Basketball (G V)	ANOOVER HS	H	11:00
Hockey (B V)	PINGREE	H	4:00
Monday, December 15			
Basketball (B V)	Loomis	A	5:30
Basketball (G V)	Loomis	A	4:15
Hockey (B V)	St. Paul's	A	1:30
Hockey (G V)	ANOOVER HS	H	4:15
Tuesday, December 16			
Basketball (B V)	New Hampton	A	3:30
Basketball (G V)	New Hampton	A	1:30
Hockey (G V)	MAINE GIRLS' SELECT	H	6:30

Wednesday, December 17			
Hockey (G V)	Taft Tourney	A	TBA
Thursday, December 18			
Hockey (G V)	Taft Tourney	A	TBA
Friday, December 19			
Hockey (B V)	Flood Marr	A	TBA
Hockey (G V)	Taft Tourney	A	TBA
Saturday, December 20			
Hockey (B V)	Flood Marr	A	TBA
Hockey (B V)	Flood Marr	A	TBA
Sunday, December 21			
Hockey (B V)	Flood Marr	A	9:00
Wednesday, January 7			
Hockey (G V)	GOVERNOR OUMMER	H	3:00
Skiing Nordic	Proctor	A	2:45
Saturday, January 10			
Basketball (B JV1)	CHOATE	H	2:00
Basketball (B V)	CHOATE	H	6:00
Basketball (G JV1)	CHOATE	H	12:15
Basketball (G V)	CHOATE	H	4:00
Hockey (B JV1)	CHOATE	H	4:00
Hockey (B V)	CHOATE	H	6:00
Hockey (G JV)	CHOATE	H	12:00
Hockey (G V)	CHOATE	H	2:00
Squash (B JV1)	CHOATE	H	1:30
Squash (B V)	CHOATE/EXETER/TAFT	H	3:00
Squash (G JV1)	CHOATE	H	12:00
Squash (G V)	CHOATE	H	12:00
Swimming (B V)	CHOATE	H	2:00
Swimming (G V)	CHOATE	H	2:00
Track (B V)	Dartmouth	A	10:00
Track (G V)	Dartmouth	A	10:00
Wrestling (B JV)	CHOATE	H	2:00
Wrestling (B V)	CHOATE	H	2:00
Wednesday, January 14			
Basketball (B JV1)	Andover HS	A	3:30
Basketball (B JV2)	LOWELL HS	H	4:00
Basketball (B V)	HOLDERNESS	H	3:30
Basketball (G JV1)	Tabor	A	3:30
Basketball (G JV2)	Fay School	A	3:15
Basketball (G V)	Tabor	A	3:30
Hockey (B JV1)	MIOOLESEX ISLANOERS	H	6:15
Hockey (B V)	BRIGHTON ACADEMY	H	4:00
Hockey (G JV)	Groton	A	2:30
Hockey (G V)	New Hampton	A	4:00
Skiing Nordic	Cardigan	A	2:45
Squash (B JV1)	Deerfield	A	3:30
Squash (B V)	Deerfield	A	3:30
Squash (G JV1)	SQUASHBUSTERS	H	2:30
Swimming (B JV)	Exeter/Berwick	A	3:15

Swimming (G JV)	Exeter/Berwick	A	3:15
Wrestling (B JV)	WILBRAHAM & MONSON	H	3:45
Wrestling (B V)	WILBRAHAM & MONSON	H	3:45
Friday, January 16			
Basketball (B V)	MILTON	H	7:00
Squash (G JV2)	GROTON	H	4:30
Saturday, January 17			
Basketball (B JV1)	TABOR	H	2:00
Basketball (B JV2)	N.M.H.	A	1:00
Basketball (B V)	TABOR	H	2:00
Basketball (G JV1)	Milton	A	1:00
Basketball (G JV2)	N.M.H.	A	1:00
Basketball (G V)	Milton	A	1:00
Hockey (B JV1)	Deerfield	A	5:00
Hockey (B V)	Exeter	A	4:30
Hockey (G V)	ST. PAUL'S	H	3:30
Squash (B JV1)	ST. MARK'S	H	1:15
Squash (B JV2)	ST. MARK'S	H	1:15
Squash (G JV2)	OEERFIELD	H	11:15
Squash (G V)	TAFT/LOOMIS	H	3:15
Swimming (B V)	LOOMIS	H	3:00
Swimming (G V)	LOOMIS	H	3:00
Wrestling (B JV)	Williston/NMH/Proct/Eagle	A	2:00
Wrestling (B V)	OEERFIELD/PCO	H	2:00
Wednesday, January 21			
Basketball (B JV1)	Lawrence HS	A	4:00
Basketball (B JV2)	NORTH READOING HS	H	5:15
Basketball (G JV1)	THAYER	H	3:30
Basketball (G V)	THAYER	H	3:30
Hockey (B JV1)	St. Sebastians	A	3:15
Hockey (B V)	ST. SEBASTIANS	H	5:15
Hockey (G JV)	B.B.&N.	A	3:15
Hockey (G V)	LAWRENCE ACADEMY	H	3:15
Skiing Nordic	St. Paul's	A	2:45
Squash (B JV1)	Concord Academy	A	3:30
Squash (B JV2)	MILTON	H	3:00
Squash (B V)	LOOMIS	H	3:30
Squash (G JV2)	Middlesex	A	3:00
Track (B V)	LYNNFIELD/NO. ANOOVER	H	3:30
Track (G V)	LYNNFIELD/NO. ANOOVER	H	3:30
Wrestling (B V)	Tabor	A	4:00
Friday, January 23			
Hockey (B V)	Thayer @ Canton	A	5:00
Hockey (G JV)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	H	4:45
Squash (B JV2)	Groton	A	4:15
Saturday, January 24			
Basketball (B JV1)	Deerfield	A	3:15
Basketball (B JV2)	Deerfield	A	3:15
Basketball (B V)	Cheshire Academy	A	5:00
Basketball (G JV1)	DEERFIELD	H	3:30

Basketball (G JV2)	TYNGSBORO HS	H	2:00
Basketball (G V)	OEERFIELD	H	3:30
Hockey (B JV1)	St. Paul's	A	2:30
Hockey (B V)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	H	2:30
Hockey (G V)	Thayer @ Pilgrim Arena	A	2:30
Skiing Nordic	N.M.H./Cardigan/SPS	A	3:00
Squash (B JV1)	Milton	A	2:30
Squash (B V)	Milton	A	2:30
Squash (G JV1)	EXETER	H	2:00
Squash (G JV2)	EXETER	H	2:00
Squash (G V)	EXETER/GREENWICH	H	3:30
Swimming (B V)	N.M.H.	H	2:00
Swimming (G V)	N.M.H.	H	2:00
Track (B V)	ANDOVER HS	H	2:00
Track (G V)	ANOOVER HS	H	2:00
Wrestling (B JV)	OEERFIELD/EAGLE/BH/LOOMIS	H	4:15
Wrestling (B V)	Belmont Hill/Loomis	A	3:45
Wednesday, January 28			
Basketball (B JV1)	Exeter	A	4:30
Basketball (B JV2)	ANOOVER HS	H	3:30
Basketball (B V)	Exeter	A	4:30
Basketball (G JV1)	Noble & Greenough	A	3:00
Basketball (G JV2)	NORTH READOING	H	3:30
Basketball (G V)	Noble & Greenough	A	4:30
Hockey (B JV1)	TOP GUN BANTAMS	H	6:00
Hockey (B V)	BREWSTER ACADEMY	H	2:30
Hockey (G JV)	ACTON-BOXBORO	H	4:30
Hockey (G V)	Cushing	A	4:30
Skiing Nordic	Vermont Academy	A	2:45
Squash (B JV1)	St. Paul's	A	3:15
Squash (B JV2)	Squashbusters	A	4:00
Squash (B V)	St. Paul's	A	3:15
Squash (G JV1)	GROTON	H	2:30
Squash (G V)	GROTON	H	2:30
Swimming (G JV)	WINSOR	H	4:00
Track (B V)	LAWRENCE HS	H	3:30
Track (G V)	LAWRENCE HS	H	3:30
Wrestling (B V)	WORCESTER	H	3:00
Friday, January 30			
Basketball (B JV1)	N.M.H.	A	6:00
Basketball (B V)	N.M.H.	A	6:00
Saturday, January 31			
Basketball (B JV2)	CENTRAL CATHOLIC	H	3:00
Basketball (G JV1)	GOVERNOR OUMMER	H	1:00
Basketball (G JV2)	BROOKS	H	1:30
Basketball (G V)	WORCESTER	H	3:00
Hockey (B JV1)	ANOOVER HS	H	6:30
Hockey (B V)	Loomis	A	4:30
Hockey (G JV)	OEERFIELD	H	2:30
Hockey (G V)	OEERFIELD	H	4:30
Squash (B V)	Westminister/Choate/BH	A	2:00

Squash (G JV1)	Brooks	A	1:30
Squash (G JV2)	MIOOLESEX	H	2:30
Squash (G V)	Brooks	A	1:30
Swimming (B JV)	OEERFIELD	H	3:00
Swimming (B V)	Deerfield	A	3:30
Swimming (G JV)	DEERFIELD	H	3:00
Swimming (G V)	Deerfield	A	3:30
Wrestling (B V)	ST. PAUL'S/TILTON/BROOKS	H	3:15
Monday, February 2			
Hockey (G JV)	Brooks	A	3:45
Wednesday, February 4			
Basketball (B JV2)	Chelmsford HS	A	4:45
Basketball (B V)	Tilton	A	4:00
Basketball (G JV1)	LAWRENCE HS	H	3:45
Basketball (G JV2)	Chelmsford HS	A	3:30
Hockey (B V)	DEERFIELD	H	4:15
Hockey (G JV)	MIDDLESEX	H	2:15
Hockey (G V)	Exeter	A	2:45
Skiing Nordic	Holderness	A	2:45
Squash (B JV1)	Exeter	A	2:45
Squash (B JV2)	Exeter	A	2:45
Squash (B V)	Exeter	A	2:45
Squash (G JV1)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	H	4:00
Squash (G JV2)	ST. MARK'S	H	2:15
Squash (G V)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	H	4:00
Wrestling (B V)	Thayer	A	3:30
Thursday, February 5			
Basketball (G V)	Brooks	A	4:00
Friday, February 6			
Basketball (B V)	THAYER	H	6:30
Hockey (B JV1)	BELMONT HILL	H	4:00
Hockey (B V)	Belmont Hill	A	5:00
Hockey (G V)	Brooks	A	4:00
Squash (G JV2)	Groton	A	4:30
Saturday, February 7			
Basketball (B JV1)	WORCESTER	H	3:00
Basketball (G JV1)	Exeter	A	2:00
Basketball (G V)	Exeter	A	2:00
Hockey (B V)	B.B.&N.	A	3:45
Squash (B JV1)	BROOKS/MIOOLESEX	H	2:00
Squash (B JV2)	Brooks	A	2:00
Squash (B V)	MIOOLESEX/BROOKS	H	2:00
Squash (G JV1)	Milton	A	12:30
Squash (G V)	Milton	A	12:30
Swimming (B V)	Hopkins	A	1:00
Swimming (G V)	Hopkins	A	1:00
Track (B V)	TEWKSBURY HS	H	2:00
Track (G V)	TEWKSBURY HS	H	2:00
Wrestling (B JV)	EXETER HS/HYOE	H	2:00
Wrestling (B V)	N.M.H./Tilton	A	2:00

Monday, February 9			
Basketball (B V)	Governor Dummer.....A	4:45	
Tuesday, February 10			
Wrestling (B JV)	NORTH ANDOVERH	3:15	
Wrestling (B V)	NORTH ANDOVERH	3:15	
Wednesday, February 11			
Basketball (B JV1)	Lowell HS.....A	5:00	
Basketball (B JV2)	Gann Academy-New Jewish.....A	3:45	
Basketball (B V)	Tabor.....A	3:30	
Basketball (G JV1)	NORTH READING HSH	4:30	
Basketball (G JV2)	PINGREEH	3:00	
Basketball (G V)	TABORH	3:30	
Hockey (B JV1)	ST. JOHN'S PREPH	5:15	
Hockey (B V)	K.U.A.H	5:00	
Hockey (G JV)	HDLOERNESSH	3:30	
Hockey (G V)	TABORH	3:00	
Skiing Nordic	Putney.....A	2:45	
Squash (B JV1)	BELMONT HILLH	4:15	
Squash (B JV2)	BELMONT HILLH	3:00	
Squash (B V)	BELMONT HILLH	4:15	
Squash (G JV1)	St. Paul's.....A	3:15	
Squash (G V)	St. Paul's.....A	3:15	
Track (B JV)	EXETERH	3:00	
Track (G JV)	EXETERH	3:00	
Friday, February 13			
Basketball (G V)	SUFFIELDH	6:30	
Hockey (B V)	WINCHENDONH	4:30	
Hockey (G V)	N.M.H.H	6:30	
Squash (G JV1)	Deerfield.....A	6:00	
Squash (G V)	Deerfield.....A	6:00	
Saturday, February 14			
Wrestling (B V)	No. New Englands@ Tilton.....A	1:00	
Wednesday, February 18			
Basketball (B JV1)	Worcester.....A	5:00	
Basketball (B JV2)	PINGREEH	5:00	
Basketball (B V)	Worcester.....A	5:00	
Basketball (G JV1)	B.B.&N.H	3:15	
Basketball (G JV2)	Shore Country Day.....A	3:45	
Basketball (G V)	B.B.&N.H	3:15	
Hockey (B JV1)	AUSTIN PREPH	5:15	
Hockey (B V)	CUSHINGH	3:15	
Hockey (G JV)	St. Paul's.....A	3:15	
Hockey (G V)	Noble & Greenough.....A	2:45	
Skiing Nordic	NEPSAC Championship.....A	9:00	
Squash (B JV1)	Noble & Greenough.....A	3:00	
Squash (B JV2)	Noble & Greenough.....A	3:00	
Squash (B V)	St. George's.....A	3:30	
Squash (G JV1)	WINSORH	4:45	
Squash (G JV2)	WINSORH	4:45	
Squash (G V)	Groton.....A	2:30	
Swimming (B JV)	ST. GEORGE'S/BERWICKH	3:30	
Swimming (G JV)	ST. GEORGE'S/BERWICKH	3:30	
Wrestling (B JV)	Exeter.....A	4:00	
Wrestling (B V)	Exeter.....A	3:00	

Friday, February 20			
Basketball (B JV1)	N.M.H.H	6:00	
Basketball (B V)	N.M.H.H	6:00	
Basketball (G JV1)	N.M.H.A	6:00	
Basketball (G V)	N.M.H.A	6:00	
Hockey (B JV1)	TABORH	7:00	
Hockey (B V)	Tabor.....A	6:00	
Hockey (G JV)	PIKE SCHDOLH	3:30	
Hockey (G V)	MILTONH	5:00	
Squash (B JV1)	Groton.....A	4:30	
Squash (B JV2)	Belmont Hill.....A	4:30	
Squash (B V)	Groton.....A	4:30	
Squash (G JV1)	MIDDLESEXH	4:30	
Squash (G V)	MIDDLESEXH	4:30	
Wrestling (B V)	Interscholastics.....A	12:00	
Saturday, February 21			
Basketball (G JV2)	TABORH	3:00	
Squash (G JV2)	Deerfield/Choate.....A	12:30	
Swimming (B V)	Williston/Wilbraham.....A	2:15	
Swimming (G V)	Williston/Wilbraham.....A	2:15	
Wrestling (B V)	Interscholastics.....A	9:00	
Sunday, February 22			
Track (B V)	USATF-NE Championships.....A	12:00	
Track (G V)	USATF-NE Championships.....A	12:00	
Tuesday, February 24			
Cluster	BB FINALSH	7:15	
Wednesday, February 25			
Basketball (B JV1)	EXETERH	5:30	
Basketball (B JV2)	BRDOKSH	4:00	
Basketball (B V)	DEERFIELDH	3:30	
Basketball (G JV1)	EXETERH	2:15	
Basketball (G JV2)	B.B.&N.A	3:15	
Hockey (B JV1)	EXETERH	5:00	
Hockey (B V)	N.M.H.A	3:30	
Hockey (G JV)	EXETERH	3:00	
Hockey (G V)	Holderness.....A	4:30	
Squash (B JV1)	EXETERH	2:30	
Squash (B JV2)	EXETERH	2:30	
Squash (B V)	EXETERH	2:30	
Squash (G JV1)	Exeter.....A	2:45	
Squash (G JV2)	Exeter.....A	2:45	
Squash (G V)	Exeter.....A	2:45	
Swimming (B V)	Exeter.....A	3:30	
Swimming (G V)	Exeter.....A	3:30	
Track (B V)	EXETERH	2:30	
Track (B JV)	EXETERH	2:30	
Track (G V)	EXETERH	2:30	
Track (G JV)	EXETERH	2:30	
Thursday, February 26			
Wrestling (B V)	Nationals.....A	12:00	
Friday, February 27			
Squash (B V)	Interscholastics.....A	12:00	
Wrestling (B V)	Nationals.....A	12:00	

Saturday, February 28			
Basketball (B V)	EXETERH	5:00	
Basketball (G V)	EXETERH	3:00	
Hockey Alumni	ALUMNIH	12:00	
Hockey (B V)	EXETERH	4:00	
Hockey (G V)	EXETERH	2:00	
Squash (B V)	Interscholastics.....A	9:00	
Squash (G V)	Interscholastics.....A	9:00	
Swimming (B JV)	EXETERH	3:00	
Swimming (G JV)	EXETERH	3:00	
Wrestling (B JV)	N.M.H. TourneyA	10:00	
Wrestling (B V)	Nationals.....A	12:00	
Sunday, February 29			
Squash (B V)	Interscholastics.....A	12:00	
Squash (G V)	Interscholastics.....A	9:00	
Friday, March 5			
Wrestling (B V)	New Englands.....A	6:00	
Saturday, March 6			
Diving Girls	Interschols@Deerfield.....A	7:30	
Swimming (G V)	Interschols@Deerfield.....A	9:00	
Wrestling (B V)	New Englands.....A	9:00	
Sunday, March 7			
Diving Boys	Interschols@Deerfield.....A	7:30	
Swimming (B V)	Interschols@Deerfield.....A	9:00	

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PHILLIPS ACADEMY

WINTER TEAM RESULTS 2003 – 2004

BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL	6W-13L	
GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL	13W – 7L	Quarters in NEPSAC Class A
BOYS VARSITY HOCKEY	17W-5L-3T	Semis in MEPSAC Div. 1
GIRLS VARSITY HOCKEY	12W-9W-1T	
NORDIC SKIING	does not keep team records	
BOYS VARSITY SQUASH	11W-4L	4 th at Interschols
GIRLS VARSITY SQUASH	1W-11L	
BOYS VARSITY SWIMMING	4W – 3L	
GIRLS VARSITY SWIMMING	8W – 1L	
BOYS VARSITY TRACK	4W – 1L	
GIRLS VARSITY TRACK	4W – 0L	
BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING	12W – 6L	2 nd at Northern New England 3 rd at Interschols 9 th at New England

SPORT: Boys Basketball
YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: Tyler Simms
HOME TOWN: Bourne, MA

MANAGER(S): Catherine Casillo '06
Cindy Franco '04
Michaela Walker '04

HOME TOWN(S) _____

COACH: Leon Madeste

ASSISTANT COACH(S): _____

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BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL
2003-2004**

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Ht</u>	<u>Wt</u>	<u>Yr</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
3	Tyler Simms	6'2	188	2004	Bourne, MA
5	Theodore Shaw	5'11	166	2005	San Diego, CA
10	Joseph Lokitis	6'0	170	2006	Norton, MA
11	Ekow Essel	6'3	180	2007	Amherst, OH
12	Knef King	6'3	185	2004	South Bend, IN
13	Paul Tassinari	6'5	185	2004	Andover, MA
15	Patrick Houlihan	6'5	180	2004	Rockville Centre, NY
20	Paul Fenstermaker	6'0	180	2004	Naples, FL
21	Clinton Prospere	6'6	190	2006	Billerica, MA
23	Robert Park	6'0	180	2004	Lawrence, KS
24	Jonathan Dent	5'11	175	2005	Denville, NJ
33	Adam Crabtree	6'4	188	2004	Tampa, FL
41	Robert Eberlin	6'7	210	2004	Honolulu, HI
50	Brent Vale	6'1	195	2004	San Jose, CA

COACH: LEON MODESTE, KIT LECKERLING
MGRS: CATHERINE CASTILLO '06, CINDY FRANCO '04, MICHAELA WALKER '04



DATE OF CONTEST: 11-19-03

OPPONENT: Clark University

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: 70-64

11/19/03 Blue Wins Basketball Opener

The PA boys varsity basketball team won their first game of the season, defeating the Clark University JV team by a score of 70-64 on the DiClemente Court on Wednesday evening. Tyler Simms led the way for the Blue with 24 points, and Adam Crabtree did an excellent job on defense while chipping in 18 points. Joe Lokitis added 16, and Paul Fenstermaker provided energy and poise of the bench. Stat leaders for the game were:

Rebounds: Joey Lokitis-7, Tyler Simms and Knef King-6

Assists: Tyler Simms-4, Joey Lokitis-3

Steals: Adam Crabtree-4, Tyler Simms-3

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-3-03

OPPONENT: St. Mark's

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: 68-71

12/3/03 Boys Hoops Edged By St. Mark's

The PA boys varsity basketball team was clicking in the first half on Wednesday as they built a 36-26 home court lead at intermission, but St. Mark's came on strong in the second half to surge ahead by 8 with 10 minutes remaining. The Blue would not fade, however, as tough defense and some key shots brought them even with the visitors. The teams then swapped baskets down the stretch with a PA 3-pointer at the buzzer just missing a chance to tie it up. The final score was 71-68 for St. Mark's. Joey Lokitis (18) and Patrick Houlihan (16) led the PA team in scoring with Houlihan also registering 5 assists. Adam Crabtree grabbed a team high 6 rebounds, and Tyler Simms had 3 steals for the Blue.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-13-03

OPPONENT: Tilton

WHERE PLAYED home.

RESULTS: 76-81

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-15-03

OPPONENT: Loomis

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: 60-64

12/15/03 Boys Hoops Edged By Loomis

The boys varsity basketball team led by a point at halftime Monday at Loomis, but couldn't hang onto the lead in the second half and dropped a 64-60 decision. Adam Crabtree (17) and Joey Lokitis (15) led the Blue in scoring while Patrick Houlihan and Gage Eberlin were tops in rebounds with 7 and 6 respectively. Point guard Tyler Simms led the attack with 7 assists.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-16-03

OPPONENT: New Hampton

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: 72-87

12/16/03 New Hampton Extends Boys Basketball Woes

A close score through most of the game slid in New Hampton's direction Tuesday as the hosts defeated PA's boys varsity basketball team 87-72. Gage Eberlin led Andover in scoring with 19 points, and Joey Lokitis chipped in with 18. Eberlin also pulled down 6 rebounds while captain Tyler Simms had 5 rebounds and 8 assists. Knef King had 5 assists and both Adam Crabtree and Pat Houlihan had 3 steals.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-10-03

OPPONENT: Choate

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: 84-71

1/10/04 Boys Hoops Pulls Away From Choate in Late Going

The Big Blue put forth an excellent team effort defeating the visiting Wild Boars of Choate Rosemary Hall 84-71 in boys varsity basketball on Saturday. Drawing on the leadership of Tyler Simms (19pts), the scoring of Joe Lokitis (26 pts) and Pat Houlihan (21pts) and the relentless hustle of Adam Crabtree, Knef King and Paul Funstermaker, PA gradually took control in the second half of a tight ball game. It was a nice way to begin the new year. The team gets no rest, however, as they host a high flying Holderness team on Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. on the DiClemente Court.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-14-04

OPPONENT: Holderness

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: 73-79

1/14/04 Holderness Upends Boys Hoops

The boys varsity basketball team played a strong first half and battled hard throughout the second, but in the end it was visiting Holderness that left the Memorial Gym with a 79-73 victory. Tyler Simms led the Blue in scoring with 22 points, and Joey Lokitis knocked in 20. Each had five assists, while Adam Crabtree grabbed 8 rebounds on the afternoon.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-16-04

OPPONENT: Milton

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: 65-33

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1/16/04 Big Blue Devours Milton

The boys varsity basketball team warmed up the gym on one of the coldest nights of the season with a 65-33 thrashing of visiting Milton Academy. The Blue jumped out to an early lead and never looked back, going to halftime on the long end of 44-17 score. The leading scorer was Joey Lokitis with 16 points. while Pat Houlihan led in rebounds (6), Tyler Simms in assists (7), and Adam Crabtree in steals (4).

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-17-04

OPPONENT: Tabor

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: 77-84

1/17/04 Tabor Edges PA Hoops

The boys varsity basketball team lost a close game to Tabor Saturday. Trailing by six at halftime, 46-40, they hung tough throughout the second half, but couldn't catch the visiting Seawolves. The final score was 84-77. Andover's high scorer was Joey Lokitis with 27 points and Adam Crabtree knocked in 21 for the Blue while also grabbing 7 boards. Knef King had 8 rebounds, and point guard Tyler Simms registered 6 assists.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-24-04

OPPONENT: Cheshire Academy

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: 69-54

1/24/04 Basketball Outscores Cheshire

The boys varsity basketball team put together a solid team effort in defeating the Cheshire Cats 69-54 on the road Saturday. The Blue went up by 10 points in the middle of the first half and never looked back. Adam Crabtree, who was hitting three's from NBA range, led four double-figure scorers for PA with 21 points along with 6 rebounds and 2 blocks. Joey Lokitis (17), Pat Houlihan (12), and Tyler Simms (10) all helped in the scoring column and elsewhere with Simms dishing out 6 assists, Houlihan grabbing 5 boards, and Lokitis registering 2 steals. On Wednesday, the team will travel north for their first of two meetings this season with Exeter.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-28-04

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: 68-76

1/28/04 Boys Basketball Drops Close Game to Exeter

The two teams battled back and forth throughout this first meeting of season for rivals Andover and Exeter in boys basketball. Adam Crabtree led the Blue in scoring with 22, but Exeter, after leading by only 3 at the half, came out on the long end of a 76-68 tally at the final buzzer to earn the win. PA looks forward to the re-match at home on February 28

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-30-04

OPPONENT: N.M.H.

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: 37-82

1/30/04 NMH Too Hot To Handle

The Andover boys varsity basketball team traveled to Northfield-Mount Hermon on Friday and ran into a very powerful Hoggens team. Host NMH jumped out to a 41-20 halftime lead and never looked back. The final was 82-37. Joey Lokitis and Adam Crabtree had 9 points each for the Blue, and Crabtree also had 4 steals. Point guard Tyler Simms dished out 4 assists for PA and Patrick Houlihan lead the team in rebounds with 7.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-4-04

OPPONENT: Tilton

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: 58-71

2/4/04 Tilton Upends PA Basketball Team

The boys varsity basketball team lost to Tilton on Wednesday 71-58. The leading scorer for Andover was Joey Lokitis with 19 points and Adam Crabtree chipped in with 18.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-9-04

OPPONENT: Governor Dummer

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: 70-52

2/9/04 Boys Basketball Pulls Rank on Governor Dummer

In a rare Monday contest, the boys varsity basketball traveled to Byfield to take on Governor Dummer. After a back and forth first half, the Big Blue played their smartest basketball of the season in the second half, and the team's intelligence, shot selection and clock management were all instrumental in earning a 70-52 road victory. Coach Modeste was very pleased with the effort but quickly added that it will take "the same team effort and court savvy if we are to upset Tabor on Wednesday in Marion." Against GDA, Joey Lokitis led the Blue in scoring with 32 points.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-11-04

OPPONENT: Tabor

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: 72-77

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2/11/04 Boys Basketball Just Misses on Ambush of Tabor

Playing what Coach Modeste termed their best game to date, the boys varsity basketball team came roaring back to erase a twelve-point deficit in the last six minutes of regulation. Joey Lokitis lead the way with 25 points and 3 steals, but it was a total team effort requiring poise and smart team basketball that helped PA climb back into this one. Point guard Tyler Simms dished out 8 assists, Knief King grabbed 11 rebounds, and Adam Crabtree had 3 steals for the Blue.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-18-04

OPPONENT: Worcester

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: 62-71

2/18/04 Blue Falls to Worcester in Boys Basketball

PA lost to Worcester Academy, 71-62, in boys varsity basketball on Wednesday. This was very close game throughout, and PA battled from behind to tie it up late in the second half before Worcester pulled ahead at the finish. The leading scorer for the Blue was Joey Lokitis with 22 points, and Adam Crabtree tossed in 19. Crabtree also led the team in rebounds with 7, while point guard Tyler Simms had 7 assists.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-20-04

OPPONENT: N. m. H

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: 45-70

2/20/04 Hoppers Too Tough For Boys Hoops

Hosting Northfield-Mount Hermon in the Memorial Gym on Friday evening, the boys varsity basketball team found themselves up against a very tough foe. The visitors came out on the long end of a 70-45 score. Leading scorer for the Blue was Joey Lokitis with 23 points. Tyler Simms handed out 7 assists and Knef King had a team-high 10 rebounds.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-25-04

OPPONENT: Deerfield

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

2/25/04 Boys Basketball Holds Off Deerfield At the Buzzer

With strong team defense, a couple of key steals, strong offensive rebounding, and good shot selection and ball movement down the stretch, Andover's boys varsity basketball team edged Deerfield by 68-65 tally. It took 27 points from Adam Crabtree, with several long-range bombs, 3 steals and some terrific board banging, and 22 from Joey Lokitis, including clutch free throws down the stretch, to hold off the Green whose final 3-pointer at the buzzer grazed the ceiling and fell short. Tyler Simms racked up 5 assists, and Knef King led the Blue with 7 rebounds. The team hosts Exeter in the season finale Saturday beginning at 5:00.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-28-04

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

2/28/04 Boys Basketball Battles Exeter Before Falling 77-63

The season concluded with a loss for the PA boys basketball team, but the team quality of their play in the closing weeks of the campaign was first rate. Taking on their rivals from Exeter at home on Saturday, the Blue fell behind early but hung tough throughout the evening. Adam Crabtree led the team in scoring with 17 points and had 3 steals to go with 7 rebounds. Knef King and Patrick Houlihan each had 9 boards and Tyler Simms piled up 9 assists for the Blue.

Andover Boys Basketball Dominates Milton, Dropping Contests with Holderness, Tabor

by Justin Lee
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	44
Milton	17
Holderness	79
Andover	73
Tabor	84
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The Boys Varsity basketball team is seeing some mixed results.



The three games they played last week are examples. The Big Blue crushed Milton 44-17, but lost close ones to Holderness and Tabor, with scores of 79-73 and 84-77, respectively.

Last Wednesday the boys lost a tough one to Holderness in the Memorial Gym.

The team came out strong in the first half per usual. Holderness dominated rebounds and inside shots, while the Big Blue struggled in both these areas of play.

Coach Leon Modeste said of the game, "We are looking to fill the hole in the middle of the court. We are getting in trouble when our interior defense is out of position."

Modeste continued, saying, "[Andover] fought hard through the second half, but Holderness had a strong inside presence that could not be matched."

Tyler Simms '04 and Joey Lokitis '06 were the leading scorers with 22 and 20 points, respectively, and they both helped the Big Blue score with five assists each.

Simms said of the game, "We came into the game with the knowledge that their point guard was pretty good. We forced him to force plays and did a good job of shutting him down."

Even with Andover's struggling presence inside the paint, Adam Crabtree '04 still managed to grab eight rebounds.

"Knef King '04, John Dent '05, and Paul Fenstermaker '04 did a great job coming off the bench. They gave us some great minutes," said Coach Mo after the loss.

Despite a tough loss against Holderness and freezing cold temperatures, the Andover Boys Basketball team took to the DiClemente Court ready to play last Friday night. The Blue took an early lead that went uncontested for both halves.

"Milton had almost no inside presence," said Coach Mo. "The boys put in a real team effort."

Lokitis was the high scorer with 16 points. The rest of the points were spread throughout Andover's top players. Pat Houlihan '04 pulled out six rebounds. Crabtree highlighted the game with four steals. Simms powered the offense with seven assists.

Captain Simms said, "We weren't really concerned about the score. I was concerned about playing together solidly on offense and defense. I was proud of the fact that we could do that."

Andover put in a tough game against a visiting Tabor team Saturday night, but failed to pull off the win losing 84-77. The first half was played well by both sides.

Big Blue trailed by 6 at half-time, and the Seawolves maintained a steady lead through the second half and finished the game up by seven points.

Lokitis was on fire and racked up 27 points for the team. "I just did what I could by putting in my best effort," he said, "It was really a team effort that kept the game close." Crabtree knocked in 21 and took seven rebounds. King made his presence felt in the paint with eight rebounds. Simms had six assists.

Coach Mo said of the game, "We need to get more consistent play and productivity out of the pivot. We need more boards and more points."

Simms agreed with his coach, saying, "Finishing off our games has really been the story of the season."

The Captain continued, "We missed about 20 lay-ups and a number of threes in the Holderness game. We need to work hard to finish off our games and turn close losses into wins."

Although the boys have strong outside movement and shots, they are trying to work on their inside presence.

Andover has already have lost a few close contests in 2004 because they could not put up points or grab rebounds in the paint.

Lokitis said, "All our losses have only been by six or seven points. We just need to finish out our games and hopefully make it into the post season."

Even though the team is struggling a little bit, Coach Modeste is extremely happy with the great minutes that the



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Lower Star Joey Lokitis shields the ball from the swarming Tabor defense in Saturday's loss to the Seawolves. Andover BBall wrapped up a 1-2 week with a dominating win over the Milton Tigers and losses to Tabor and Holderness.

bench players have put in. He said, "I love this team. It is one of most fun teams I have ever coached. The players work so hard and give everything they have in practice. We are working hard so their tenacity can pay off."

Andover Boys Basketball Takes Third in FL Tourney

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game, ending with an 82-72 loss. Simms said, "We played some tough games. At New Hampton we were in it for the whole game. We need to fight through the whole way and pull out these close games, especially against non class-A teams."

Simms played unselfishly, grabbing 5 rebounds and 8 assists. Eberlin also pulled through for the team with 19 points and 6 rebounds. Lokitis helped the team with 18 points.

Before they left for break, the Big Blue traveled to Florida to play in a 10-team tournament. The tournament was a breakthrough for the team and was a big success, with the Andover team coming home with an admirable third place.

Crabtree said, "Even though we were shaky in the beginning,

everyone really came together in Florida and we gelled as a team."

In the tournament, the Big Blue lost to Las Vegas High School by 3 points in the semi-finals but beat a very talented team from Denver, CO.

Simms said, "The win against Denver carried the team's momentum into the rest of the tournament. I think we found out a lot about the team."

The beginning of the season has been tough for the Big Blue, but the toughest part is yet to come. They must outplay some stiff competition in order to make the Final Eight. The team comes back from break with a good attitude and momentum from their solid game against Denver. They are determined to pull through in the clutch and win the close ones in order to make a post season run.

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Members of the Boys Basketball team deftly battle for a rebound during a practice on the DiClemente Court.

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Boys Basketball Struggles Early

by Justin Lee
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

It is not how you start, but how you finish. The Boys Varsity Basketball team hope to prove that saying, as they attempt to improve upon their 1-4 record to start the season.

The boys came out with a strong win in their season opener, but their success was cut short by some tough losses.

The team came into the season with high expectations. "We were hoping for a record of 4-1, but ended up 1-4," said Captain Tyler Simms '04. Their record of 1-4 is not a true indication of their early season play; most of their games have been extremely close. "We were a little bit shaky in the beginning," added Adam Crabtree '04.

The basketball team won their first game of the season in a strong showing against the Clark University JV team with a final score of 70-64. Simms was the scoring leader with an impressive 24 points, 4 assists, and 3 steals. The game, however, could not have been won without the strong play of Crabtree and Joey Lokitis '06. Crabtree led the defense and scored 18 points, to go with his 4 steals. He commented on his strong play, "In the first game someone needed to step up and push the team through it. I do the best I can to help out the team." Lokitis put up 16 points and 3 assists. The win left the team ready to take on their next opponents St. Mark's.

Against St. Mark's, Andover struggled to come out on top, losing 71-68. Despite the loss, Andover basketball played a solid first half. At the intermis-



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Joey Lokitis '06 takes a shot from the perimeter in practice last Wednesday.

sion they were leading 36-26. St. Mark's made up ten points and had claimed the lead with 8:10 remaining in the half. The Blue tied it up again with solid scoring from Lokitis and Patrick Houlihan '04. They scored 18 and 16 points, respectively. The game was not lost until the final buzzer, as an Andover three-point prayer went unanswered.

The Big Blue suffered a disappointing loss to Tilton in their next game, losing 81-76 to the Rams. Crabtree led the scoring with 24 points. Consistent high scorer Lokitis contributed 19 points. The game was played well by both sides, but Tilton dominated the boards and scrapped up

extra points. The loss left the team with a 1-2 record to that point in the season.

The Loomis game was another close one for the Big Blue, sending the Big Blue home with a devastating 64-60 loss to the Pelicans. They lead by one point at the half, but Loomis fought hard in the second half and took a small lead. Crabtree led the scoring with 17, followed by Lokitis with 15. Simms led the offense and contributed 7 assists. Houlihan and PG Gage Eberlin racked up 7 and 6 rebounds, respectively.

Against New Hampton, Andover struggled to stay in the

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Boys Basketball Stuck on Losing Streak, Falling To NMH, Tilton

by Justin Lee
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Tilton	71
Andover	58

For the Boys Varsity Basketball team, the past week has been one big disappointment.

Coming off a heartbreaking loss against Exeter last week, the team entered the week looking for a crucial win to turn their season around. But after an embarrassing loss on Friday to Northfield-Mount Hermon, the boys in Blue frustrated themselves even more on Wednesday by losing yet again to Tilton.

This season, Northfield-Mount Hermon (12-4) has a menacing reputation, partly due to the overwhelming height of the team.

Demolishing the Andover team 82-37, the Hoggers started four players over 6'6". The large difference in scoring came as a surprise to Andover; however, PA prepared itself beforehand for a tough competition.

Playing with a home court advantage, NMH jumped to an early 14-1 lead in the first five minutes of the game. From there on out, things just went downhill for Andover. Shots missed the hoop, rebounds were given to the opposing team, and NMH took advantage of every Andover weakness.

NMH led the game 41-20 at the half, and, for Andover, things would only get worse.

Captain Tyler Simms '04 commented, "Offensively, we played scared. [Our team] seemed to play afraid because they were big inside. Instead of passing the ball until we found an open shot, we forced shots and had too many turnovers."

Simms continued, "It was definitely our worst game of the season. But I think we still learned from it. We realized how far we have to go to become a solid team. NMH could be one

of the top two teams in the league this year, so for us to turn this season around and make the final eight in the post-season tournament, we cannot get embarrassed like we did on Friday night."

With only eight minutes left in the game, NMH went on a 22-5 scoring tear to better their lead to 40. The scoring run broke the hearts of the Andover squad.

Despite the loss, the Big Blue did have some strong spots in the game. Simms contributed four assists, Patrick Houlihan '04 grabbed seven rebounds, and Adam Crabtree '04 made four steals.

Joey Lokitis '06 and Crabtree lead the team in scoring with nine points each.

"Were we disappointed about losing?" asked Coach Leon Modeste. "Yes. No one wants to lose by so many points. But losing to one of the best teams in the league is not exactly humiliating."

Modeste continued, "Trying to guard boys who are much taller [than us] is a difficult thing. Our biggest problem came from fear; we just played like we were scared. That was what was most disheartening about our performance."

Coach Mo described the Blue as a perimeter team that prefers shooting longer shots than driving to the basket.

Andover played Tilton (13-2) at the beginning of the season and lost by only six points, the coach knew what to expect and tried changing certain strategies to best fit the opposing team's strengths.

In preparation for Wednesday's competition Simms remarked, "We know that they have a big man who performed really well against us last time we played Tilton. To be successful, we need to make sure he doesn't dominate inside."

The Captain predicted right as Tilton's 6'9" center, among other solid players, provided problems for Andover.

Struggling throughout the game for a comeback, PA fell behind early and finished with a 71-58 loss. As the Blue wrestled with low intensity, the opposing team maintained constant energy throughout the game.

While Tilton repeatedly made fast breaks down the court, Andover suffered from several turnovers. At halftime Tilton held the lead at 31-24.

"Our game is best described as sloppy," said Jordan Nottke '05. "Once again, we played scared and were embarrassed by a team we should have beaten. If we expect to win anymore games, we are going to have to make some changes and step up our aggressiveness."

Opening the second half with a chance to take the lead, Andover gave up a few turnovers that consequently lead to a 14 point difference. PA had another opportunity to tie up the game with six minutes left in the second half, but missed a crucial layup and then fell behind once again.

"Our team also had difficulty adjusting to the calls made by the referees. When we expected to get fouls and then stopped playing, no call was made. If we want to be aggressive, it is impossible for us to play that way," Coach Mo said.

"Nevertheless, we still made some great plays and we selected our shots well even if they did not always fall into the basket."

Lokitis and Crabtree lead the team in scoring with 19 and 18 points, respectively. Gage Eberlin '04 also contributed with eight rebounds and two steals; Simms also helped the team with seven assists.

Despite the discouraging situation of the Boys Basketball program, the boys are not ready to give up. With their first home game in three weeks on Friday against Thayer, Andover hopes to disregard the last few games and prove what the team can accomplish.

Boys BBall Snaps Slide at GDA, Gains Confidence Against Tabor

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After suffering tough losses to Tilton and Thayer last week, the Andover Boys Varsity Basketball team pulled together to defeat Governor Dummer on Monday.

Andover got off the bus ready to play on Monday night, starting strong with a 7-0 opening run. However, their early success did not last long, as the Governors quickly tied up the game.

The two teams spent the rest of the first half in a struggle for the lead. Repeatedly Andover strung seven or eight points together only to have GDA answer with a quick comeback to even the score once again.

The ups and downs of the first half left ended with Andover holding onto a slim 30-29 lead. Pinpointing what he presumed to be the problem, Modeste told his players to stop hurrying shots that could easily fall into the net if set up correctly. To be victorious, he anticipated that the boys needed to take good shots at a slower pace.

Carrying out the strategies of their coach, Andover dominated the second half. To the spectators, it seemed that Andover was a whole new team. Not only did individual players step up the intensity, but overall the team played at an entirely new level. The boys played smart, managed the clock well, and with a large lead, played their best so far this

season. As the buzzer sounded, Andover finished with a solid 70-52 victory.

"Despite an initial sloppy performance, we came together well in the second half and played as a team," commented Adam Crabtree '04, "Even though GDA is not one of our tougher opponents, I am still pleased that as a team we were able to demonstrate what we are capable of doing. The fact that we finished so well gives us confidence for our upcoming games."

Tyler Simms '04 and Patrick Houlihan '04 contributed seven assists and Crabtree lead the team with ten rebounds. Joey Lokitis '06 poured in 32 points to lead all scorers, getting help from Crabtree and Simms, who added 15 and 12 points, respectively, along the way.

"I went out there to help the team, and tried to do my best. This time, I happened to be on the receiving end of many assists and great plays. We played with great team effort and it definitely paid off," said Lokitis.

After a strong victory at GDA, the boys turned their attention to Tabor. Having already encountered Tabor in January, losing 84-77, Andover knew to expect tough competition, but the boys in Blue did not let it scare them. They responded to the challenge of a strong team by matching them basket for basket.

At halftime, Tabor held a small lead of 34-30. Andover fell behind 12 points in the middle of the second half, but the team

regained composure and made a fast comeback. With 36 seconds left in the game, Crabtree made a basket to bring the Blue within one point. Making a crucial rebound and sprinting down the court, Simms was fouled with 1.9 seconds left. He made one free throw to tie up the game. They were headed to overtime.

As it turned out, the intense, back and forth overtime struggle fell in Tabor's favor. The game concluded with a 77-72 Tabor win, but not without boosting team confidence for Andover.

"To say it simply, everyone on the team played great. It was the second game in a row that we managed both the clock and the ball well. We had more intensity, more focus and much more of a selfless attitude. Everyone came into the game wanting to play," Coach Mo said. "I guarantee that if we continue playing as well as we did against Tabor, we will be victorious."

Once again, Lokitis lead the team with an impressive 25 points. Crabtree and Simms followed with 16 points each. Starting in place of injured Houlihan, Knif King '04 grabbed 11 rebounds and played very well defensively for the Blue. Paul Tassanari '04 and Jonathan Dent '05 came off the bench to play big roles in the game, and Emberlin contributed many good plays from his post.

Coach Mo stated proudly, "The last week, the boys have changed and turned the corner to become a team. I can definitely say with pride that my team has showed tremendous signs of improvement. I attribute our success to the captain [Simms] who has really pulled our team together."

The boys Basketball team has only four games left. Whether the team wins or loses, the boys can say with pride that they have succeeded in becoming a solid team. And that, in the end, is most important.

Blue BBall Can't Get A Break: Loses By Nine at Worcester

by Merit Webster
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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Andover	62

Suffering yet another painful loss to a worthy team, Andover Boys Varsity Basketball played a decent game Wednesday, but falling nine points short, extended their losing streak to two games. Returning from the long weekend, the boys went onto the court ready to win the game. But after allowing the Big Blue to tie up the score in the last few minutes, Worcester (14-6) went on to defeat visiting Andover 71-62.

The Boys started out strong at the beginning of the game but quickly fell behind. Andover reverted back to some of its old habits that had caused problems earlier in the season: missing easy shots and letting opposing players to intimidate them,

Coach Leon Modeste commented, "We definitely short armed our shots, meaning that we shot too quickly without thinking about other options first. Worcester had many things going for them: a great record, a few post graduates and two big guys - 6'10" and 6'8. I think the main problem with our performance was that our players were nervous about the tall boys blocking our shots so we hesitated too long to shoot."

With a frustrating halftime score of 31-23 Worcester, the Andover boys made a conscious decision to work harder in the second half. "None of us wanted to lose," Adam Crabtree '04 said. "We decided that if we were going to have a chance at a win,

we needed to stop messing up easy plays and work together as a team instead."

Despite an early run in the second half by Worcester, which left Andover down by 12 points, the Boys in Blue played strongly enough to tie the game with five minutes left. Defensively they played tough, and offensively the team concentrated on making clean shots.

"In the last fifteen minutes of the game, the kids played their hearts out. It was disappointing to see the game end like it did," said Coach Mo. The final measure of victory, [nine points], was not indicative of the game because Andover was forced to foul the opposing team with the hope of getting the ball back, in turn allowing them to score additional points."

"We played alright, but not as well as I would have wanted to in the first half. If we had actually made our shots, the score would have been in our favor by at least five," said Captain Tyler Simms '04. "The team did pull together in the second half and made up a 12-point difference in just six minutes. It was still disappointing that we could not overcome our mediocre first half and end up with a win. Overall, we played well enough to be in the game but not well enough to win it."

Simms had seven assists, and Crabtree and Joey Lokitis '06 grabbed seven and six rebounds, respectively. Lokitis lead the team in scoring with 22 points, and Crabtree followed closely with 19 points.

Going from playing cluster at the beginning of the season to playing varsity basketball for the

first time, Brent Vale '04 scored six points. "Vale was tearing up the court whenever I watched a cluster practice, and he really impressed me. We were soft in the middle with injuries and other setbacks, so I brought him onto the team. Vale has really helped us out there," Coach Mo explained. "Cluster has become a feeder system for my team," he added with a smile.

Looking into the future, Andover has a challenging game on Friday against NMH, whom they previously lost to by 40 points. To be successful, Coach Mo says his team needs to shrink the game by getting the ball, taking a deep breath, and slowing the pace down. He calls the team a shooting club, not a running one; therefore, he does not encourage his players to make quick run outs, especially against teams with as much height as NMH has.

"I will easily pass up a lay up for a three [point shot] if we are micromanaging every possession we have of the ball. Mentally, the game will be difficult. But we are a different team this time around and I have high hopes for what may come from the upcoming game," said Coach Mo.

He continued, "I feel bad that we keep losing, but at least we are losing against formidable foes. The losing gets old, but my boys have had a tremendous attitude through everything. We have played our final away game and our shooting is remarkably better at home than on the road. If the kids stay on top of their game and focus on improving our weak spots, I think our team has a definite chance of an upset on Friday."

Blue BBall Slips Past Deerfield, Hoggers Hammer Andover Boys

by Merit Webster
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

NMH	70
Andover	45
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Deerfield	63

As the conclusion to their season draws closer, the Boys Varsity Basketball team had a week full of conflicting results. Dominated by the height and skill of North Field Mount Hermon, Andover fell to its third straight loss on Friday and finished with a 70-45 loss. The Big Blue answered with a nail-biting 66-63 victory against Deerfield.

After previously losing to NMH by more than 40 points, the

boys struggled on Friday to regain the confidence that they had lost during the game in January. Upholding their reputation as a top ranked squad, NMH played off of PA's weaknesses. They forced multiple Andover turnovers, and used their height to continually block Big Blue shots. Even when Andover closed the gap between the scores to six with a few minutes left in the first half, the Hoggers quickly answered. At halftime, with a 37-24 NMH lead, the score reflected a frustrating beginning to a discouraging end to the game for Andover.

"They were the best team we played all season," Coach Leon Modeste admitted. "Plain and simple, they are good. If NMH doesn't win the tournament, I will be very

surprised."

Joey Lokitis '06 provided a bright spot in the game by scoring 23 points, and Adam Crabtree '04 added 12 to the board.

"We can't just rely on scoring from Joey, Adam, and Tyler; we need to make shooting a team effort," Modeste recognized. "We scored 45 total points and those three contributed 37. You just can't do that unless you have Jordan and Phippen on your team. So, of course we were upset about the loss. But the kids know they played harder and for the most part smarter than the game in January."

Contributing eight assists, Captain Tyler Simms '04 commented that "we played well enough defensively to hold NMH far below their scoring average; however we were not able to get off the type of shots that could keep us in the game." Knef King '04 led the team in rebounds with nine.

But regardless of the discouraging loss Friday, PA pumped up the intensity and proved a tough match for visiting Deerfield. With back and forth scoring between teams until the clock ran out, Andover pulled out a win by three points.

With a halftime score of 33-30 Deerfield, the Big Blue was not playing up to its potential. However, the close score made for an exciting game for fans to watch.

At the six-minute mark, Andover held the lead by eight. Deerfield refused to show signs of defeat and continued to put pressure on PA to make shots. King made a crucial steal and raced down the court to put Andover ahead by one. The game went back and forth from there until Pat Houlihan '04 stole the ball and passed it to Crabtree who scored a three pointer, tying the game at 63 with 1:11 left. Then with less than 20 seconds in the game, King made a rebound, Lokitis scored, and with a lead of three points, Andover claimed a victory.



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Captain Tyler Sims '04 shoots the ball past his Deerfield defenders last Wednesday.

Laying Up One Last Heartbreak, Exeter BBAI Shoots Down PA

by Merit Webster
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover
Exeter

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Concluding an inconsistent season of impressive come-from-behind wins and aggravating losses, the Boys Basketball team played their final game of the year on Saturday against Exeter. Although the stands were completely full and the fans demonstrated incredible spirit for their team, Andover quickly fell behind in the first half and could not fight back. Exeter kept their momentum going and defeated PA 77-63.

Within the first five minutes of the first half, Exeter established a demanding level of play. The Big Blue had many spurts of success throughout the game, but not consistent enough to maintain a close gap between scores.

Essentially, the Andover loss came down to the fact that Exeter had more depth. While Exeter carried six PGs, Andover had two; Exeter also had seven boys over 6'4", whereas Andover had only four. Adam Crabtree '04 and Joey Lokitis '06 helped the team with clutch three-point shots, but overall the Big Blue struggled to make baskets and to keep up with Exeter's pace. The Lady Blue missed many lay-ups, and a lack of drive was evident in Andover's play. Furthermore, the PA defense allowed Exeter to make too many fast breaks down the court.

"I really wanted to beat Exeter," Crabtree admitted. "They are our biggest rival and it is always best to end the season with a solid win. You can say over and over again 'if only I had done this' or 'if only he had done that', but what happened happened, and we can't let that put a negative spin on the rest of the season. We had many heartbreaking losses but we also had some successful wins."

A dependable asset all year long, Crabtree stole the ball three times and led the Blue in scoring with 17 points. Both Knef King '04 and Pat Houlihan '04 grabbed nine rebounds, and five other Andover players hus-

tled to create turnovers from the opposing team.

"Of course a win would have been nice, but my boys tried hard. In the Exeter game, but even throughout the season, we were outmanned, outsized and in some cases outskilled. But through all of that these kids still gave me everything," Modeste said. "It was very hard for me once the game was over. Not necessarily because we lost our final game, but because it was our last game. At the end of every season it is so hard to say goodbye to all the kids graduating, especially the ones I have been with for two, three, even

four years."

Modeste is unsure of what will happen for next year's team. After graduating nine seniors at the end of this year, the team will be left with only five returning players. On Monday the team voted Jonathan Dent '05 as next year's captain.

When asked to wrap up his thoughts about the season, King commented, "Even though our season did not go as well as we hoped it would, I had a very positive experience. We play in [one of the] toughest leagues in the country, so any win is good. We never quit fighting."



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Knef King '04 skies for a rebound against Exeter on Saturday. Andover fell 77-63 in its final game of the season.

SPORT: Girls Basketball
YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: Mimi Hanley
HOME TOWN: Seattle, WA

MANAGER(S): Lissette Doran
Callum Thomas

HOME TOWN(S) _____

COACH: Karen Kennedy

ASSISTANT COACH(S): George Sullivan
Tammy Sanchez

SEASON RECORD

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Phillips Academy Andover
Girls' Basketball
2003-2004

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Pos</u>	<u>Yog</u>
5	Sarah Chang	Chicago, IL	G	'05
10	Kristen Macdonald	Billerica, MA	G	'07
11	Mimi Hanley	Seattle, WA	F	'04
12	Rachel Shack	Andover, MA	G	'04
13	Stephanie Krant	Portsmouth, NH	G	'05
15	Sarah Beattie	Baltimore, MD	P	'07
21	Kat Conlon	Sagamore Beach, MA	G	'04
23	Mia Lidofsky	Providence, RI	G	'05
24	Nell Beattie	Baltimore, MD	F	'05
25	Laurel Sticklor	Boxford, MA	G	'05
31	Christa Vardaro	North Reading, MA	F	'06

Managers: Lisette Duran New York, NY'05
 Callum Thomas Aberdeen, Scotland'05

Head Coach: Karen Kennedy
Assistant: George Sullivan, Tammy Sanchez
Captain: Mimi Hanley

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-19-03

OPPONENT: Brewster Academy

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-3-03

OPPONENT: Governor Dummer

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

12/3/03 Girls Basketball Victorious Over Governor Dummer

The PA girls basketball team was victorious over Governor Dummer on Wednesday in what proved to be a dominating performance by the Blue. After the lead was back and forth for the first 8 minutes, PA took over and built a 32-18 halftime advantage. In the second half the Blue continued their strong play to earn the 71-43 victory. Kat Conlon led all scores with 18 points while Mimi Hanley and Steph Krant added 14 each. Sarah Beattie playing in her first game, scored 6 points. Hanley and Krant led the PA rebounders with 7 each; Jessie Daigneault pulled in 6, and Nell Beattie grabbed 5.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12 - 5 - 03

OPPONENT: Methuen HS

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-13-03

OPPONENT: Harvard

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-14-03

OPPONENT: Andover HS

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-15-03

OPPONENT: Loomis

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

12/15/03 Lady Blue Dumps Loomis

The girls varsity basketball team defeated Loomis 55-46 on Monday. Playing on the road, PA led at halftime 29-23 and was able to maintain their margin throughout the second with Kat Conlon and Steph Krant leading the way in scoring. Co-captain Mimi Hanley was restricted to the sideline for much of the game with foul trouble but was still a vocal leader. Jessie Daigneault and Nell Beattie broke through with total contributions in points, rebounds, assists and steals.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-16-03

OPPONENT: New Hampton

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

12/16/03 Basketball Comeback Falls Short Against New Hampton

The Andover girls varsity basketball team lost to New Hampton 41-36 on Tuesday in their last game before the holiday break. PA struggled from the start, finding themselves down by 12 almost immediately. The Blue began to chip away just before halftime and threatened to take the lead only to see New Hampton pull away at the end. Mimi Hanley led the Andover scorers with 17 second half points.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-10-04

OPPONENT: Choate

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

1/10/04 Comeback Rolls Off The Rim For Girls Hoops

After a dismal start--halftime score: Choate 23 - Andover 12--the girls varsity basketball team came back with a valiant second half effort. Mimi Hanley and Kat Conlon had 8 points each, while Steph Krant and Christa Vardaro each chipped in 9. Hanley and Krant led the team in rebounds. The Andover Blue cut the lead, saw Choate respond to bring their lead back to 10, and then surged again to tie it up. It came down to the last minutes. Choate's Claire Sullivan hit a three to put the Wild Boars ahead by one, but with seconds remaining Kat Conlon stole the ball for one last Andover try. The ball circled but ran off the rim. Final score, Choate 40 - Andover 39. Claire Sullivan from Choate led all scorers, finishing with a game high 21.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-14-04

OPPONENT: Tabor

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

1/14/03 Tabor Overpowers Girls Basketball

A very strong Tabor team proved too much for the girls in Blue in this Wednesday hardcourt match-up. At the half PA was down 33-10. While the team was prepared for the Tabor press, other aspects of PA's game did not come together. A number of 1-on-1 challenges resulted in Andover losing possession of the ball. Tabor came out with the press again to begin the second half and went on a 10-0 run to put the game out of reach. The final score was Tabor 58 - Andover 29.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-17-04

OPPONENT: Milton

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-21-04

OPPONENT: Thayer

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

1/21/04 Blue Basketball Team Whips Thayer

The PA girls varsity basketball team earned a 53-26 victory on their home court against Thayer. Shots were falling for the Blue and for the second game in a row PA grabbed more than 30 rebounds. Meanwhile, strong team defense helped to keep the opponents off balance. Kat Conlon led all scorers with 16 points including 4 of 4 from behind the arc. Steph Krant added 12 points and 5 rebounds. Mimi Hanley chipped in with 9 points, a game high 8 rebounds, and 6 steals.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-24-04

OPPONENT: Deerfield

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

1/24/04 Hoopin' It Up on the Green

The Big Blue girls turned in a 53-19 win over a young Deerfield team Saturday in varsity basketball. The game was never in question as PA build a big lead in the first half. Steph Krant led all scorers with 16 points while shooting 57% from the floor and 67% from beyond the arc. Rachel Shack had a personal best of 8 points, and Laurel Sticklor also had career best 7 points. Nell Beattie led all rebounders with 7 boards.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-28-04

OPPONENT: Noble & Greenough

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

1/28/04 Girls Basketball Hangs Tough; Defeats Nobles 45-36

Andover's girls varsity basketball team jumped out to a big first half lead against the 13-1 Noble & Greenough squad. By the half, Nobles had cut the lead to six, 17-11. During the second half the Andover girls tried to hold on but saw their lead diminish until with just over eight minutes remaining Nobles had pulled into tie. The Andover girls persevered, however, coming back with a bit of their own pressure defense to regain a small cushion. As the game wound down Nobles had to foul to stop the clock; six times they fouled Rachel Shack, and each time she came back with an answer, sinking her free throws to keep the Blue in the lead. Shack finished the game 10-12 from the line, and the 45-36 win was secured. Not only were those 10 points a personal best for Shack, but they all came at crunch time. Mimi Hanley shot 46% from the floor, scoring 14 points and registering 7 rebounds, 3 steals and 5 blocked shots. Steph Krant shot 62% from the floor adding 13 points. Kat Conlon worked her way to a personal best in rebounds, pulling in 11 big boards... a key to game success.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-31-04

OPPONENT: Worcester

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

1/31/04 Girls Basketball Drops Close One to Worcester

The girls varsity basketball team lost a heartbreaker on Saturday against Worcester Academy. PA jumped out to a nine-point lead by the end of the first half, 26-17. Unfortunately, they couldn't hold their edge in the second half and fell to the Hilltoppers 50-46. It was a valiant effort by an Andover squad battling injury and illness.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-5-04

OPPONENT: Brooks

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

2/5/04 Girls Basketball Hangs On Against Brooks; Wins By One

After working to build a 13-point lead (31-18) at the half, the girls varsity basketball team had to scramble throughout the second half to fend off the charging Brooks team and finish with a one-point victory. Kat Conlon, Steph Krant, and Mimi Hanley all played well for Andover. Mary Hart from Brooks led all scorers with 24 points, including 7 three-pointers. With nine seconds left and Andover up by 4 points, thanks to the free throw shooting of Rachel Shack, Hart launched her 7th three at the buzzer. It counted but wasn't enough to keep the Blue from winning 55-54.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-7-04

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

2/7/04 Blue Tops Red in Girls Basketball

In contrast to Thursday's game against Brooks in which the Blue built a substantial halftime lead, today's match-up with rival Exeter found the girls varsity basketball team trailing at the half 22-16. After intermission, the team worked consistently for higher percentage shots and limited their turnovers to overcome the Exeter lead and pull out 43-39 win. Mimi Hanley led all scorers, hitting a personal best 19 points while pulling in 8 rebounds and 5 steals. Nell Beattie came through with her best game. She tied her personal best in scoring with 10 points and grabbed a season high 10 rebounds. It was Beattie's second double double of the season.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-11-04

OPPONENT: Tabor

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

2/11/04 Tabor Defeats Girls Basketball

The PA girls varsity basketball team played a strong first half against a very talented Tabor team. Good patience on offense and tremendous tenacity on defense enabled the Blue to lead 21-20 before Tabor edged ahead 27-21 at the half. Laura Lokitis, sister of PA's Joey Lokitis '06, led the way for Tabor with several steals off the Seawolves half court trap defense. Early in the second half, attempting to tip a pass, Laurel Sticklor dislocated her finger and was out for the remainder of the game. The Blue was forced to reshuffle their squad and quickly found themselves down by 20 and trying to come back. They did continue to battle but could only cut the lead to 15. The final was Tabor 57 - Andover 42. Mimi Hanley scored a double double with 18 points and 10 rebounds. Kat Conlon kicked in 11 points, 6 rebounds and 5 steals. Steph Krant had 9 points.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-13-04

OPPONENT: Suffield

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

2/13/04 PA Grabs Win Against Suffield With Great Team Effort

On Friday evening the Andover girls varsity basketball team took on the top team in the western region. Suffield came to the DiClemente Court with a record of 13-1, but the PA girls were up for the challenge. By halftime the Big Blue had built a 35-26 lead. The final score was Andover 72 and Suffield 56. Andover was led in scoring by Steph Krant who hit a season high 20 on the strength of an exceptional shooting effort. Krant shot 83% from the floor, 67% from the line and 50% from beyond the arc. She also pulled in 6 rebounds, had 4 assists, 3 steals, and 2 blocked shots. Mimi Hanley had another stellar performance, recording her second double double of the season with 17 points and a career high 11 rebounds. Kat Conlon had 16 points, 5 rebounds, and a personal high of 6 assists. To seal the Andover effort Conlon went 10 for 13 from the line. Nell Beattie had her best effort of the year, shooting 50% from the floor, 100% from the line to knock down 12 points to go with her 5 rebounds. Brianne Edwards from Suffield led all scorers with 29 points, and Jacqueline Pannel added 10 points to the Suffield effort.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-20-04

OPPONENT: N.M.H.

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

2/20/04 Girls Basketball Rolls Over NMH

With the team operating two players short due to injury, everyone played a big role in this important Friday afternoon win over Northfield-Mount Hermon. At the start of the game PA set off on a roll, but NMH battled back. For most of the half the action was back and forth with the Blue working to build a double-digit lead only to see the Hoggies cut it back down. In the final three minutes of the half Andover went on a run that produced a significant halftime cushion, 44-21. Things continued to go well for the home team in the second half and the final was Andover 81 - NMH 40. Steph Krant had a fabulous shooting day hitting 70% of her shots. She finished with 32 points. Laurel Sticklor, just back from injury, and Sarah Chang did a fine job running the offense from the point guard position.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-28-04

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

2/28/04 The Andover Girls Basketball team is also tournament bound, having earned the fifth seed in the eight-team NEPSAC field. PA will travel to Noble & Greenough on Wednesday to take on the #4 Nobles squad for a 3:30 tilt. The complete list of Wednesday match-ups has #1 Tabor hosting #8 Milton, #2 Suffield playing at home against #7 Williston-Northampton, and #7 Taft travelling to #3 Choate. The tournament semifinals will be played on Friday, March 5 at sites to be determined and the finals on Sunday, March 7 at Worcester Academy.

DATE OF CONTEST: 3-3-04

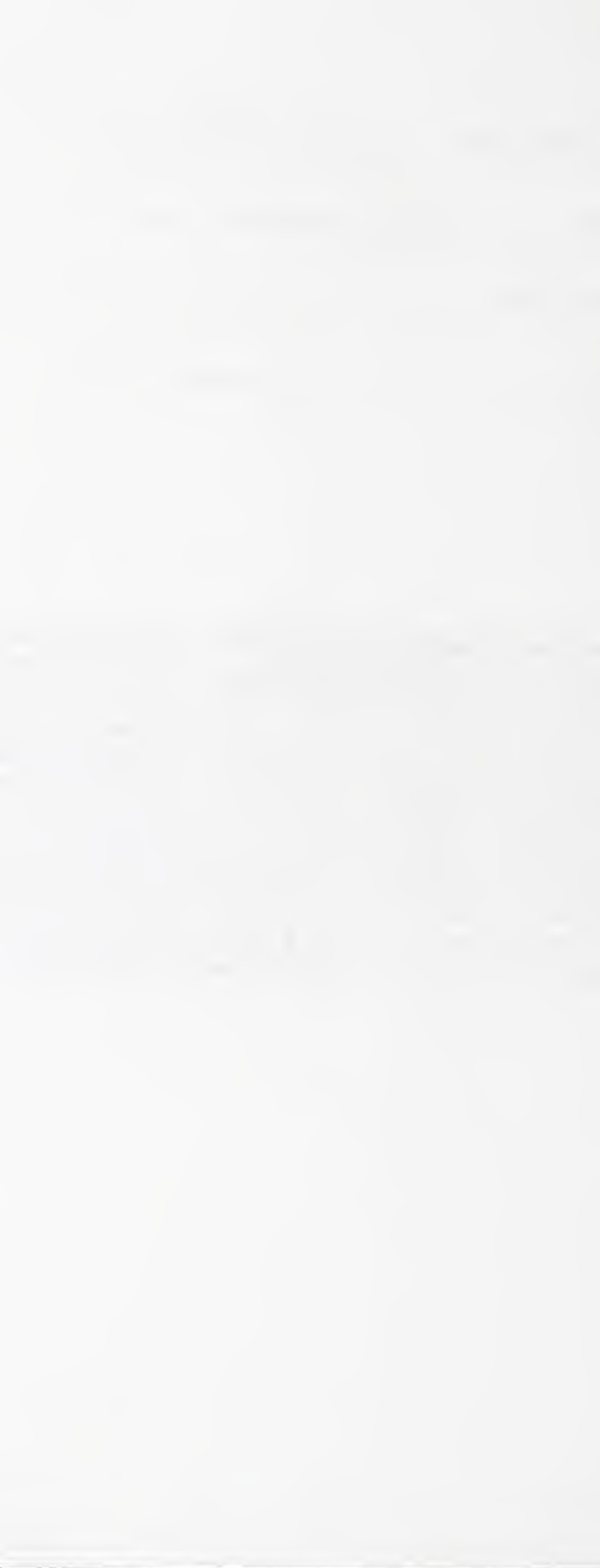
OPPONENT: Tournament

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

3/3/04 Girls Basketball Drops Out After First Round of Tourney

The girls in Blue took on Nobles Wednesday in the first round of the NEPSAC girls basketball tournament. The team fell behind in the first half by 8 at 25-17 after managing only 8 rebounds in the half. Three key team members, Mimi Hanley, Kat Conlon, and Steph Krant, found themselves in foul trouble at different points of this game, and Nobles continued to dominate the boards throughout the second half. The final score was Andover 37 and Nobles 49. Krant led the Andover scorers with 14. Conlon chipped in 11 and Hanley 8. Conlon and Hanley accounted for 10 of the team total 18 rebounds. Despite the loss, the has concluded a very successful season, and even though the graduation of several seniors will be a significant loss, there is a strong nucleus of returning players to make the team's future look bright.



Andover Lady Blue BBall Takes Out Thayer Academy

by Alison Murphy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Milton	46
Andover	35
Andover	53
Thayer	26

It looks like things have taken a turn for the better.



The Andover Girls Varsity Basketball Team came back from a spree of three losses to beat Thayer 53-26.

After a disappointing 46-35 loss to Milton last Saturday, the girls faced their Thayer opponents ready to make up for their previous record.

Last Saturday the girls played in what they called one of the most testing games of their season.

They struggled to take control of the ball and had trouble getting up on the board in the low-scoring game.

Laurel Sticklor '05 was optimistic about the loss. She said of the game, "We weren't playing our best. It was a rough loss, but it will help us identify what we need to improve on, so we can get ready for our upcoming games."

In the first half, the Lady Blue struggled to keep up with their Milton opponents.

Andover's first shots were all from the outside, and the team struggled to get a substantial score on the board.

On the defensive side, the girls were playing zones, but they had trouble keeping Milton players from getting to the inside.

Within the early parts of the first half, Milton had put a sizeable lead up on the board, and the Lady Blue was unable to catch up.

Milton was able to capitalize on poor passing by the Andover Varsity squad.

In the second half, the girls tried to adapt to the pace of the game and outplay their Milton rivals but they were unable to do so, and the game ended with the Lady Blue disheartened and disappointed with the results.

Helping out the Andover score, Stephanie Krant '05

brought eleven points, and Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04 brought in eleven points to the trailing PA score.

Captain Hanley said of the game, "The Milton game was one of the most frustrating games we've had this season."

Hanley continued, "We made careless errors, did not communicate well, and had trouble converting opportunities into baskets."

On Wednesday the Lady Blue got their act together and broke their three-game losing streak to come back and crush Thayer 53-26.

In the first half, the girls jumped at the opportunity to improve their season record. The outside shots were good, and the team swung the ball really well. Defense was on top of its game, and the Lady Blue maintained a strong lead.

In the second half, the girls continued to improve and increase their dominance.

They looked to the inside more, and shooting was really strong, both near and far from the basket.

Co-captain Kat Conlon '04 marked the half with four 3-point shots from behind the rim in a span of just a few minutes. It appeared as though Conlon's sharp shooting alone would be enough to pull the Lady Blue out of their funk.

The half ended with a Beattie sister duo as Nell Beattie '05 passed the ball to sister Sarah Beattie '07 to bring in two more points to the rising Lady Blue score.

Co-captain Conlon led the Lady Blue making one hundred shots from behind the arc. Krant brought in twelve points and had five rebounds. Co-captain Hanley added nine points to the leading PA score and had eight rebounds and six steals.

Co-captain Hanley said of the game, "Wednesday's game was a huge improvement for our team. We got out of our three-game slump and really started to play together as a team. Our shooting was on, and our defense was strong. It really helped to be at home and have a lot of supporters."

Girls Basketball Roars Towards Season, Led by Hanley, Conlon

by Sarah Takvorian
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With several games under its belt, the Andover Girls Varsity Basketball team has shown tremendous promise for the upcoming season, while also revealing that there is some room for improvement.



The season got off to a wonderful start when the Lady Blue got moving on the court during their first game against Brewster, giving the girls their first win of the season by a dominating 50-16 margin.

The team's second victory came against Governor Dummer Academy in early December and proved the Lady Blue are to be an undeniably dominating force this season. The first several minutes of the game saw back and forth play between both teams and the girls matched GDA basket for basket. However the girls of Governor Dummer could not keep it up and PA picked up its game. They entered the second half with a 32-18 advantage. With 18 points, Co-captain Kat Conlon '04 was the leading scorer. Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04 and new player Steph Krant '05 contributed 14 points each, as well as 7 rebounds each.

In the second half, PA continued to increase their lead, and the game ended with a 71-45 win. Coach Karen Kennedy commented, "We were happy both with the win and how we responded to that

challenge."

Following the long break during exams the team came back with a win against the Harvard JV, at home on DiClemente Court. Once again, the Lady Blue demonstrated wonderful skill as they made basket after basket, led by Conlon and Hanley, with 15 and 13 points, respectively. The game ended with yet another win of 47-39.

Feeling prepared but anxious for their next game, PA took on Loomis Chaffee in a challenging away game. The game was tight until the final buzzer.

The Loomis team, relying on their strong defense, threw off PA's offense. The girls struggled to get many rebounds. Additionally, Andover struggled defensively to limit Loomis' strong offensive work. Nonetheless, PA led at halftime with 29 points over Loomis' 23, and the girls fought hard throughout the second half to keep expanding their score.

With Hanley restricted to the sideline for the majority of the game due to foul trouble, Jessie Daighneault '04, Nell Beattie '05, and Laurel Sticklor '05 broke through with multiple contributions in all aspects of the game - points, rebounds, and steals. Despite showing room for improvement, PA was able to pull through when necessary, and the game ended with a winning score of 55-46 for the Blue.

The girls took on New Hampton the very next day and experienced many of the same troubles as they did in the Loomis game. This time, however, in their

last game before winter break, the girls were unable to pull their play together and they fell short of a win.

Struggling from the beginning of the first half, PA found themselves lacking on defense immediately when New Hampton quickly stole 12 points during the first few minutes. By the end of the first half, however, PA stepped up its game and threatened New Hampton's hold on the lead. In the second half, PA continued to increase its offensive play, with Hanley leading the team with 17 points in the second half alone. Unfortunately, however, New Hampton put in the extra effort as well, and won the game 41-36.

Regarding the team's focus during the upcoming weeks, Coach Kennedy commented, "In January, we look to assess the last few experiences. We want to learn from those challenges. If we're attentive to those experiences, we hope that they will make us stronger as we move in to class competition."

Surely, the team will not have much difficulty climbing back into the saddle and grabbing another win, however. Conlon leads the team with 64 points overall, followed by Hanley with 62, and Krant with 46. Hanley also has an awe-inspiring 30 rebounds, following by Krant with 28 and Beattie with 20.

Daighneault said of the team, "The girls are so much fun, and it's nice to be on a team where all the girls get along so well."

Many more wins are expected from the girls in the upcoming season.



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Co-captain Kat Conlon '04 (left) drives towards the hoop. Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04 (right) fights off three Worcester opponents for an offensive rebound.

Lady Ballers Drop Heartbreaker to Worcester Despite Solid Play by Captains Hanley, Conlon

by Margaret Kelly
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Worcester	50
Andover	46

This past Saturday, the Lady Blue suffered a heartbreaking 50-46 loss to Worcester. Trailing by only one point with under thirty seconds left to play in the game, Saturday's contest had all the makings of a triumphant last minute comeback victory.

Nevertheless, the Worcester starting five proved too much for the Lady Ballers, and the PA team earned a loss.

At the start of the game, everything seemed to be going as planned.

The relentless Andover offense was proving too much for the Worcester squad. Led by twin towers Mimi Hanley '04 and Kat Conlon '04, the Andover team unleashed an offensive barrage upon the Worcester basket.

Up by ten at the half, co-captain Hanley described the first part of the game as a "solid effort made on all accounts." The Lady Blue were playing well together, making smart shots, and playing sterling defense.

In the second half things

took a turn for the worst. While the Andover team had dominated in the first half of the game, Worcester came ready to play for the second half and blindsided the Andover team.

Stephanie Krant explained the game's change, saying, "It was like we were caught unprepared; we were overly-confident as a result of our early lead and therefore let our guard down."

Hanley added, "We certainly played a much better first half than second. It wasn't as if they came out on fire however, Worcester methodically chipped away at our ten point lead."

PA struggled to keep up with Worcester's new fast paced, energetic style of play.

The Lady Blue particularly struggled with their defense; evidently having a hard time shutting Worcester down, as they had done so successfully in the first half.

At the end of the game, in excuse for the loss, Hanley explained "Worcester was much more physically aggressive than we were; they beat us on the uptake and caused us to make careless errors."

There were also some issues of health; both Krant and Rachel Shack were sick on game day, making it increasingly difficult for them to bring their A-game

to the court.

Lastly, key starter and team captain Conlon fouled out of the game with a considerable amount of time left in the second half; an occurrence that was certainly a large detriment to Andover's offensive efforts, as well as on the defensive side.

Starter Krant said of Conlon's fouling out, "We need to be prepared for these kinds of things. There are always going to be unexpected variables and what separates a good team from a great team is how they deal with these minor impediments."

Despite this plethora of setbacks, Lady Blue managed to keep it a one-point game up until the final thirty seconds.

Sadly a half a minute before the buzzer, Worcester scored with a lay up and scored a technical in the same motion. Worcester went on to make both foul shots, increasing their lead to four, where it stayed until the final buzzer.

Although disappointed at the outcome of Saturday's game, Hanley remains optimistic. She commented on the game, saying, "This loss was a building experience for the team. It taught us not to take leads for granted, and to never underestimate our opponent."

Since Saturday's loss, the team has been prepping to take on Brooks this Thursday.

Co-captain Hanley looks forward to Thursday's game against the highly seeded team. Hanley said, "If we can pull out a win on Thursday, it will be great for our chances at making the tournament."

Last year, Andover suffered an upsetting one-point loss to Brooks, and this year, the Lady Ballers hope to make up for that.



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Stephanie Krant '05 pushes the ball ahead against Tabor star Laura Locitas. The Girls team beat Exeter before falling to the Tabor Seawolves.

Lady Blue BBall Down Exeter, Loss Big Match-up With Tabor

by Margaret Kelly
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	43
Exeter	39
Tabor	57
Andover	42

The Andover Varsity Girls Basketball Team beat Exeter 43-39 on the Red's home court before they suffered a decisive 57-42 loss to their Tabor rival. Despite the close score against Exeter, the Lady Ballers clearly dominated on the court last weekend.

The team was working together beautifully, bearing a remarkable resemblance to Jiffy Lube's coined "Well Oiled Machine."

The girls got off to a relatively slow start, trailing 22-16 at the half. Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04, "In the first half, the girls seemed to be working to figure out their opponent. They kept the score fairly close but were initially unable to really make things happen."

After the half, the Lady Blue came out with a new resolve. They started to capitalize on Exeter's weaknesses, and worked industriously, chipping away at their opponent's six point lead. They played well, pulling off higher percentage shots and limiting their turnovers. The Exies were caught off guard as Andover slowly encroached upon their lead.

In one of their famous comeback wins, the Lady Ballers were

able to overcome Exeter's lead and pull through with a sold 43-39 victory.

Co-Captain Hanley was impressed with the ability of the girls to turn around their game. "The girls definitely brought their A game," she remarked.

Among others, Hanley was crucial to the team's winning endeavor. She led all scorers in the game and reached a personal best of 19 points. In addition to scoring, Hanley was a great help to her team with eight rebounds and five steals.

This past Wednesday, however, the Lady Blue did not have the same resolve. Throughout the game the girls put forth their best effort, but, as put simply by starter Steph Krant '05, "Some days you have it and some days...you just don't."

The game, like Saturday's, got off to a slow start. The difference, however, was that unlike on Saturday, the girls were not able to come through with the win.

Tabor hit the Lady Blue with an indomitable offense led by Laura Locitas. Co-captain Haney said of the opponents' star player, "She scored at least 40 points. She was in effect unstoppable." Locitas was indeed a force to be reckoned with. She scored countless times, leading a powerful offensive onslaught against the Andover hoop.

Krant agreed, "Laura Locitas pretty much killed us," she said.

After the first half, the Lady

Blue was trailing 21-28. The Lady Ballers tried to pull it together after the intermission, but unfortunately, things seemed to fall in the other direction. Hanley said, "We lost our momentum at the half, and they picked up an intensity they had not previously possessed. They brought the game up a level and we were caught unprepared." Andover's offense was on the weak side after the half. Despite Hanley's near 20 points and efforts by Conlon and Krant, who each scored 9, the Andover offense was simply not what it needed to be.

Andover had a hard time responding to Tabor's aggressive style of play. Tabor's number 00 was particularly aggressive, sending Hanley sprawling more than once. "Her elbows were flying," said Krant.

Hanley summed up the teams faults, "We definitely needed to step it up a notch in order to beat."

Unfortunately, the Lady Blue was unable to take its game to the same level they did on Saturday and finished the game 42-57.

Despite the game's disappointing outcome however, the players seem to remain optimistic. Krant remarked, "There was an evident overall improvement in our level of play as compared to the last time we played Tabor. If we bring the same commitment to the court on Friday when we play Suffield, hopefully we will experience more satisfying results."



B. Kaiser/The Philpian

Co-Captain Kat Conlon '04 takes a moment to find a teammate to pass the ball to during last Wednesday's game.

Lady Blue BBall Bounces Back

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undeniably deserved the victory on Friday. They outplayed their opponent, pure and simple.

On Wednesday afternoon, following in Friday's winning tradition, the Girls in Blue emerged triumphant once again.

racking up an inspiring 36 point win over their opponent, Suffield, with a final score of 73-37.

A little heady after their unprecedented win on Friday, the Lady Blue was confident from the start of the game. The girls were well aware of their opponent's strengths and weaknesses, and felt they had the strategy necessary to win. "We were basically most concerned with one player in particular: Modeka. We knew she had a solid game and from the start of the clock we kept a defensive eye on her" explained starter Krant.

With a performance comparable to Friday's effort, the Girls in Blue definitely walked out on the court Wednesday with their A game. They came out strong in the first half, passing well and limiting their turnovers to virtually none. Everyone really seemed to be clicking, and the team was moving together brilliantly.

Thanks to their solid effort in the first half, the girls came into the second half up by over ten. After the intermission, the Lady Blue focused on merely lengthening the lead. They pushed ahead with an excellent effort made all around. Co-captain Hanley reflected, "The team was really playing well together. We were passing beautifully and our opponent was having a hard time converting on plays"

Among others, starter Conlon was playing superbly, hitting almost every shot with apparent ease. Furthermore, Andover's opponent, BB&N was certainly having a tough night. Their turnovers were copious and even with the hall they were having trouble making anything happen.

After building the lead to over twenty points, Coach Kennedy took starters Hanley, Krant, and Conlon out of the game, allowing some of the more inexperienced players some game time.

However, this move did not slow Andover down one bit. "The freshmen were playing awesome," says Krant. Freshman Sarah Beattie and Sarah McDonald definitely had a great game, a solid effort made by both girls.

Along with the rest of her team, starter Krant was psyched about their level of play over the past week.

"Our passing has been incredible," said Krant. She continued, "We are feeding it into the post and kicking it back out no problem. Everyone is seeing the floor."

If Andover can keep up this level of intensity for the duration of the season, they are going to be a force to be reckoned with. New England better watch out, because Lady Blue is on fire!



B. Kaiser/The Phillpian

Freshman Sensation Kristin MacDonald '07 shields the ball from her BB&N opponent during last Wednesday's game.

PA Girls Basketball Dominates BB&N, Stuffs Suffield Academy

by Margaret Kelly
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	72
Suffield	56
Andover	73
BB&N	37

This past week the Lady Ballers have been at the top of their game; defeating top team Suffield on Friday 72-56, and winning again on Wednesday against BB&N, chalking up a decisive score of 73-37.

On Friday night, the Andover girls took on the highest ranked team in the Western region, Suffield, and in an exciting upset, defeated the top seed 72-56.

On paper, it did not appear as if the Lady Ballers had a chance; the Suffield girls came to P.A. on Saturday boasting an impressive 13-1 record. However, the Girls in Blue were obviously up to the challenge. Well aware that a win over

Suffield would be a huge help in their efforts to make the tournament, the Andover girls came to the court on Friday ready to play. Said Co-captain Mimi Hanley '04, "Coach told us that if we beat Suffield we would have an infinitely better chance of making the year end tournament. We therefore stepped out on the court pumped up and ready to take charge."

Among countless other solid efforts, Hanley certainly helped her team out on Friday night. She gave a stellar performance, recording her second double double of the season with 17 points scored and a career high of eleven rebounds. Starter Steph Krant '05 also played a beautiful game on Friday. She put 20 points up on the board, leading her team in scoring and hitting a season high. Krant shrugged the performance off, saying "my game was definitely there on Friday- but like many of my other teammates, I was

just hitting my shots." The statistics certainly suggest as much, showing Krant hitting well over 80% from the floor.

Yet another Andover player brought her best on Friday: Nell Beattie. Nell came out with her best effort of the year, shooting 100% from the line, as well as putting up a solid defensive front, grabbing 5 rebounds. Starter Kat Conlon '05 also had a great game, scoring 16 points, 5 rebounds, and reaching a career high of 6 assists.

There is no doubt about it, on Friday night the Andover girls came to play. Suffield, unquestionably smug in their number one seeded position, couldn't have known what hit them. "We were really playing together" said Krant, she continued, "On Friday night, we walked onto the court with a definite goal in mind, and walked off with a win." When it comes down to it, the Lady Blue

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Stephanie Krant '05 Racks Up 32 in Convincing Win Over NMH Hogs

by Margaret Kelly
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	81
NMH	40

For the past several games, the Lady Blue has been on a roll, and this past Friday was certainly no exception. The girls trounced their opponent, Northfield Mount-Hermon 81-40.

Within the first minutes of play on Friday, it was clear that the Lady Blue was on top of their game. Andover came out in the first half strong, passing well and shooting even better.

With an aggressive offense and a solid defense, the Girls in Blue pulled ahead early, taking a significant lead within the starting minutes of the game. However, despite their initial lack-luster effort, NMH began to fight back about a quarter of the way through the half.

The rest of the first half proceeded in the same fashion, with the Lady Ballers working to build a double-digit lead, only to see the NMH Hogs cut it back down.

In the final three minutes however, Andover's offense, led by starting guard Stephanie Krant '05, went on shooting spree that would leave them up by a startling 23 at the half: 44-21.

"We were really playing well" Krant comments. She continues in her typical modest tone, "I was hitting my shots on

Saturday, but then again, so was everyone else." Krant dominated the offense, finishing with a ridiculous 70% field-goal percentage. She finished the game with a staggering season and career high of 32 points scored; in a game with 80 points on the board.

Other commendable efforts were put forth by point-guards Laurel Sticklor '05, just returning from a back injury, and Sarah Chang '05.

Co-Captain Mimi Hanley '04 also came to the court on Friday with her A game and helped Krant lead the team in an offensive onslaught against the NMH Hogs.

Despite playing nearly all-out in the first half, the Lady Blue kept up the intensity all the way through the second half, showing impressive stamina. The girls were working together beautifully, spotting open teammates and keeping their turnovers minimal.

The Lady Ballers kept up their aggressive play as well, leading a relentless barrage against the NMH basket.

With 38 points scored in the second half, the Andover girls went as far as to come within three points of their outstanding scoring efforts in the first.

The way the Girls in Blue were playing, NMH could not have known what hit them. The Hogs were pushed back on the defensive again and again as the Andover girls refused to let up.

"We got ahead from the start," said Co-captain Hanley, "and despite a fair amount of resistance from our opponents, we stayed there for the entire game."

Having lost Rachel Shack and Christa Vardaro to injury, Andover had to rely on its remaining starters, who had an even bigger role in the win than usual.

"We were a little nervous at the outset," said Krant, "but we held it together and stepped up to the plate."

We were all really proud of our results, especially given that we were playing without the help of two really solid teammates."

Andover walked onto the court on Friday with victory in mind, and lately, there seems to be no stopping the Lady Ballers. Riding a four-game winning streak, Andover Girls Basketball has been outdoing itself week in and week out.

In virtually every game an Andover player has posted a season or career high.

"The team really feels like it is clicking," said Hanley. She added, "If we can keep this level of intensity into the tournament next week, we will definitely be putting some points on the board."

Heading into a final season tournament next Wednesday, the Andover girls have great prospects. New England better stay awake out there, because the Lady Blue is coming to play.

Girls BBall Trounces Exeter, Falls to Nobles in Tournament

by Greg Hsu

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	46
Exeter	23
Nobles	49
Andover	37

The energy was high as the Lady Blue showed Exeter the strength and depth of their team, trouncing against Exeter with a 46-23 win.

In one of their final games of the season, the spirit and energy were high on the court and in the stands as rivalry commenced at full throttle. Having bested Exeter only two weeks before, the Lady Blue knew what they were facing.

When asked about the upcoming game, Christa Vardaro '06 said, "[we're] extremely optimistic. We've played them previously and we're prepared. Our team has grown closer and stronger, and we're set. All we need to do is pull and hold it together and we'll definitely have a win."

The confidence among the team was palpable in the preceding days and the instant they stepped onto the court on Saturday. Despite a slight change in the starting lineup, as Kat Conlon '04 was unable to play, the Blue Hoopsters were ready and waiting to face off against the Big Red for the year's second chance for rivalry bragging rights.

Andover went to work immediately, holding off the Red offense and returning it with multiple well-placed shots. Even without starter Conlon, the line-up held its own. With a different group of starters, the dynamics were different between the players, but clean passes and constant movement kept the competition scrambling.

Early points were scored by captain Mimi Hanley '04, and Sarah Chang '05, one well-aimed three-pointer by Laurel Sticklor '05, with later points from both junior players, Sarah Beattie and Kristen Macdonald, with a free throw and two baskets by Nell Beattie '05.

The Lady Blue worked hard to prevent any good shots from the Exeter girls. Switching the chemistry, Coach Kennedy began varying the on-court players, and it worked wonderfully. With only six minutes left before the end of the period, Exeter had only 4 points to show for the 20 points to Andover. The attack was relentless, turning the Red offense back almost immediately. By the end of the first half, the score was 24-11,

tipped in favor of Andover.

Hanley, Stephanie Krant '05, Rachel Shack '04, N. Beattie, and Sticklor went at it as the starting line for the second half. Exeter began to push harder early on, but the excellent defense of Sticklor, Krant and the combined coordination between all the players left the Red girls' squad launching half-prepared shots and banking heavily on luck.

When the Red did manage to shoot, their accuracy was poor, and the Blue capitalized on their errors, picking up nearly every rebound and sending it back to the Exeter net. Hanley and the Beattie sisters led the charge. The strong teamwork among the players continued to push the ball continually towards the Exeter hoop.

Even with the crowd cheering and screaming, Andover kept its focus. As the second half continued, Hanley and N. Beattie repeatedly denied the Exeter shots with rock solid defense. Andover's score continued to rise with a lay-up by Vardaro despite the line of Exies. Accurate free throw shoot-

ing made a big difference as the game entered the home stretch.

With five minutes left, the score stood at 36-19. S. Beattie added three more buckets to widen the margin even further. Exeter managed only two more baskets, slipping to the daunting Blue defense.

The final score was 46-23, with the Beattie sisters leading the way in scoring with 10 apiece. Every Andover player contributed a great deal, pouring energy and competitive spirit into the contest.

Sarah Beattie summed up the Lady Blue's performance, "We were all really pumped right from the beginning, so we went out and just did what we had to do with energy. Our guards had a great game. They were really swinging it around the top well, translating into shots."

Coach Kennedy said afterwards, "We didn't get the chance to 'put it to 'em' today but that's okay. We were working on our execution and we've had to solve some problems recently. I'm really pleased with them today."



S.Hall/The Phillipian

Sarah Beattie '04 shoots despite the presence of three Exeter defenders last Saturday.

SPORT: Girls Hockey
YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: O'Hara Shipe '04
HOME TOWN: _____

MANAGER(S): Kaitlin Alsefrom '05
Sims Witherspoon '05

HOME TOWN(S) _____

COACH: Martha Fenton

ASSISTANT COACH(S): Chad Green
Caroline Odden

SEASON RECORD

WIN___ LOST___ TIED___



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Girls Varsity Hockey

2003-2004

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pos</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
1	McDonald, Melissa	2006	G	Lynnfield, MA
3	Dix, Katherine	2005	F	Andover, MA
4	Seno, Lauren	2005	F	Mequon, WI
5	Shipe, O'Hara*	2004	G	Anchorage, AK
6	Baker, Lindsay	2005	F	Chicago, IL
7	Tetreau, Melissa	2006	D	Methuen, MA
8	Mullany, Erin	2007	D	Brier, WA
10	Moramarco, Lindsay	2006	F	Andover, MA
11	Shea, Megan	2007	F	Winchester, MA
12	Hudson, Marissa	2004	F	Gloucester, MA
13	Wadland, Julie	2006	F	Andover, MA
17	Crocker, Nicole	2005	F	Dover, MA
19	Moss, Alessandra	2007	F	New York, NY
22	Deguire, Audrey	2004	D	Milford, MA
23	Montecalvo, Megan	2006	D	Ipswich, MA
33	Jones, Brenda	2004	D	Toronto, ONT

COACHES: MARTHA FENTON, CHAD GREEN, CAROLINE ODDEN

*CAPTAIN: O'HARA SHIPE '04

MANAGERS: KAITLIN ALSOFROM '05, SIMS WITHERSPOON '05

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-19-03

OPPONENT: Top Gun

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 12 - 3 - 03

OPPONENT: B. B. & N.

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-6-03

OPPONENT: St. Marks

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-15-03

OPPONENT: Andover HS

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

12/15/03 Girls Hockey Drops 3-0 Decision to St. Mark's

The Girls' Varsity Hockey Team went on a week-long hiatus during exams, and returned on Monday to play St. Mark's school. Unfortunately, the Andover girls struggled to work out the cobwebs, and a sharp St. Mark's squad capitalized on the opportunity. St. Mark's tallied a first goal with 5:06 left to play in the first. The goal came from a face-off in Andover's defensive end. St. Mark's managed a shot followed by a quick rebound to score. During the second period, Andover created some tying chances but never found the back of the net. St. Mark's worked to increase the lead, but Andover's O'Hara Shipe was rock solid in the goal. The score was 1-0 going into the third, so Andover hoped for a reversal of fortune. Unfortunately, St. Mark's scored two more goals in the third to end the game 3-0.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-16-03

OPPONENT: Maine Girls' Select

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

12/16/04 Girls Hockey Thumps Maine Select Team

Phillips Academy's girls hockey team had the scoring touch in this Tuesday contest, defeating The Main Select Team 7-0. Lindsay Moramarco put Andover on the board with 9:33 left to play in the first. She took advantage of a Maine line change to carry the puck into the zone alone and beat the Maine goaltender. The Big Blue scored five more in the second period.. Melissa Tetreau tallied Andover's second goal at 14:40, when Megan Shea slipped a beautiful pass across the goal mouth to the far post. Moramarco struck again with 13:35 left to play. She tipped-in a slapper from Brenda Jones who was at the point. The goal was also assisted by Julie Wadland. With 11:52 on the clock, Megan Shea tipped in a shot from Megan Montecalvo. Julie Wadland was next, scoring with 5:31 left to play. She carried the puck into the zone and ripped a slap shot from the top of the circles that screamed by the goalie's right shoulder. Moramarco completed her hat trick with 2:49 left to play in the period. She picked up a drop pass from Wadland and stickhandled around the goalie. Nicole Crocker tallied the last goal of the day. She wound up on her way into the zone to score from the blue line. Moramarco assisted the goal. Rookie goaltender Melissa McDonald played during the last period of the game and did an excellent job, making eleven saves.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-17-03

OPPONENT: Taft

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

12/17/03 Girls Hockey Earns First Round Victory at Taft Tourney

Andover squared off against St. Paul's School in the opening round of the Taft Holiday Tournament and came away with a 6-1 win on the strength of some excellent team play. Megan Shea tallied Andover's first two goals at 12:06 and 6:36 in the first period. Megan Montecalvo and Nicole Crocker earned the assists. Julie Wadland struck again for PA at 9:41, and Montecalvo scored a fourth goal with :37 left to play in the first. Lauren Seno, assisted by Melissa Tetreau, scored Andover's only goal in the second period. Crocker ended Andover's scoring with 9:05 left to play in the third. She was assisted by Wadland. St. Paul's picked up a late goal with 7:54 left to play in the game. With this win, the Blue advances to the semifinals of the tournament.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-18-03

OPPONENT: Taft

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

12/18/03 GV Hockey 0-0 vs. Taft in Taft Tourney

Andover, Taft Deadlocked Even After Overtime; Taft Advances In Shootout

Andover' girls varsity hockey team took on the host team in the semifinal round of the Taft Holiday Tournament, and the game came down to a shootout, won by Taft, for the right to advance to the finals. Both teams had numerous scoring chances during regulation play, but neither could find the back of the net due to the outstanding goaltending on both sides. Andover's O'Hara Shipe made 27 saves and Taft's Snikeris made 21 saves to keep the game scoreless through the end of regulation play and a five-minute, sudden death overtime. According to the tournament rules, after the five minute overtime, games will be decided by a five person-shootout. Taft won the shootout 2-0 to secure their spot in the championship game. The game counts as a tie for both teams' Division I records.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-19-03

OPPONENT: Taft

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

12/19/03 Shipe Is Magnificent In Final Game of Taft Tourney

Fighting off fatigue and in many cases a stomach bug, the Andover girls hockey squad limped onto the ice at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday morning to play Loomis Chaffee School. The game that followed can only be described as grim.. Loomis faced little resistance as they fore-checked, back-checked, passed, shot and rebounded. Andover's O'Hara Shipe stood on her head, making a stunning 63 saves to hold the game at 0-1 until late in the third period. Loomis scored an empty-netter with :33 left to play to make the game 2-0.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-7-04
OPPONENT: Governor Dummer
WHERE PLAYED home
RESULTS: _____

1/7/04 Strong Start; Tough Ending For Girls Hockey

Despite a good team effort, Andover came up short against Governor Dummer Academy today. Skating on home ice, the Blue built a 2-0 lead but couldn't hold on as GDA stormed back to tie the game late in the second period and notched the deciding goal midway through the third. Andover's Melissa Tetreau tallied the first goal of the day after blueliner Megan Montecalvo started the play by carrying the puck into the zone and behind the goal. From behind the goal, Montecalvo made a long pass to Marissa Hudson at the point. Tetreau tipped Hudson's shot into the goal to make the score 1-0. Andover extended the lead in the second period, when Megan Shea carried the puck into the corner and passed to Tetreau who was camped out in front of the net. Tetreau's shot was stopped by the GDA goaltender, but Lauren Seno found the rebound at the far post and scored on an empty net. Despite the promising start by Andover, GDA didn't show signs of quitting and managed to work their way back into the game, scoring at 9:09 and 4:13 in the second period. Both teams had chances in the third period, but GDA converted with 9:10 left to play in the game. A late flurry gave Andover a few more scoring chances, but they couldn't find the back of the net. Andover will square off against Choate at 2 p.m. on Saturday at the Harrison Rink.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-10-03

OPPONENT: Chate

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-14-04

OPPONENT: New Hampton

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

1/15/04 Girls Hockey Ices New Hampton

The Girl's Hockey team earned a great win over New Hampton on Thursday. Andover dominated the play, tallying a total of 64 shots on their way to a 4-1 win. New Hampton's Andree Rellerin played an excellent game in the goal. She stopped 21 shots in the first period to keep the game scoreless, but Andover kept at it and just finally scored just 47 seconds into the 2nd period. Melissa Tetreau took an off-angle shot from near the goal line, and Megan Shea scored on the rebound. The second PA goal came from Nicole Crocker on a power play goal with 2:05 left to play in the period. She scored from the slot and was assisted by Julie Wadland and Marissa Hudson. Andover tallied a third goal with :43 left to play in the second. Shea took the initial shot, and Tetreau followed with two quick rebounds before Lauren Seno scored on the third rebound. Shea notched Andover's fourth goal with 8:28 left to play in the third. Hudson earned the assist. While the shot count was lopsided (Andover 64, New Hampton 16), New Hampton did generate some good scoring chances. They managed to convert with 0.3 seconds left to play to make the score 4-1. PA goaltender O'Hara Shipe had a great day in the net, making 15 saves.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-17-04

OPPONENT: St. Paul's

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

1/17/04 Girls Hockey Blanks St. Paul's

Megan Shea scored a hat trick as the Girls Varsity Hockey team shut out St. Paul's School Saturday by a score of 5-0. Shea started the scoring by putting away a rebound off a shot by Lauren Seno with 12:25 to play in the first period. Shea then added a power play goal with 2:16 remaining in the first by popping in a rebound of Melissa Tetreau's shot from the slot. Lauren Seno extended the lead just 15 seconds into the second period, receiving the puck from Tetreau on the opening face-off and skating in alone to score. Shea completed her hat trick at 5:38 in the third when Tetreau skated into the zone and dished the puck across the crease where Shea tipped it into the goal. Lindsay Moramarco added the final touch by scoring from down low with 30 seconds left in the game. She was assisted by Nicole Crocker and Marissa Hudson.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-21-04

OPPONENT: Lawrence Academy

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

1/21/04 Girls Hockey Beats Lawrence 4-2

In a terrific team effort, the girls ice hockey team skated to a 4-2 victory over Lawrence Academy today. Lauren Seno opened the scoring with 5:43 left to play in the first period. Melissa Tetreau battled for the puck in the corner and made a great pass to the slot for Seno, who scored over the goalie's glove. Julie Wadland extended with lead with 4:36 left to play in the first. She carried the puck over the blue line and unleashed a mighty slap shot that hit the goalie before bouncing into the goal. Lawrence responded with a goal from Amy Hollstein after just 12 seconds of play in the second period. Hollstein recovered the puck from the opening face-off and carried the puck into the zone alone. A few minutes later, Nicole Crocker gave Andover some breathing room when she scored from above the circles with a low wrist shot. Lauren Seno extended the lead to 4-1 with a nice slap shot from the top of the circle. Lawrence managed another goal with just .5 left to play in the second to end the period 4-2. The third period was scoreless despite good chances for both sides. O'Hara Shipe put on a great performance in goal for the Blue, making 35 saves. Andover will square off against Thayer Academy on Saturday at 2:30 at Pilgrim Arena.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-24-04

OPPONENT: Thayer (Pilgrim Arena)

WHERE PLAYED Away

RESULTS: _____

1/24/04 Girls Hockey Thumps Thayer With Big Third Period

Andover cruised to a 5-0 victory over Thayer Academy today in varsity girls hockey. PA dominated play but struggled to find the back of the net, scoring only one goal in two periods of play. But in the third, the Big Blue broke the game wide open, scoring 4 goals in seven minutes. Lindsay Moramarco put Andover on the board with 2:27 left to play in the first period. Nicole Crocker won a face-off to Julie Wadland, who shot from the top of the circle, and Moramarco put away the rebound. Megan Shea scored the next goal with 13:56 left to play in the third. She skated into the zone one-on-one and lost her defender by stopping short at the top of the circle. Shea then took a pretty wrist shot, finding the corner just above the goalie's glove. With 12:10 left to play, Shea was at it again. This time, Melissa Tetreau won the face-off, drawing it back to Shea, who scored with a slap shot. Tetreau earned a goal of her own with 8:10 left to play in the game. She took a shot from the slot that was turned away, so she retrieved her own rebound from behind the goal, curled out of the corner, and scored from the high slot. Crocker buried the last goal during a scramble in front of the Thayer goal. O'Hara Shipe made eleven saves for her third shutout of the season.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-28-04

OPPONENT: Cushing

WHERE PLAYED Away

RESULTS: _____

1/28/04 Cushing Ices Girls Hockey

The girls varsity hockey team had their hands full with a strong Cushing Academy team on Wednesday, falling 7-2 to the Penguins. Andover gave up two goals in the first period, then fought back with two of their own (and pretty ones at that) in the second. Unfortunately, Cushing responded with three more goals to finish the period ahead 5-2. Cushing added two more in the third to close out the game. Andover's first goal came with 9:11 remaining to play in the second period when Nicole Crocker won a face-off in the offensive zone. She drew the puck to Lindsay Moramarco, whose shot was on net, and Julie Wadland was on the spot, scoring on the rebound. Crocker earned a goal of her own with 1:15 left to play in the period. Moramarco made a pretty pass in front of the net, and Crocker one-timed the puck into the goal. Andover plays Deerfield at home on Saturday at 4:30.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-31-04

OPPONENT: Deerfield

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-4-04

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

2/4/04 Hats Off to Tetreau; Big Blue Dumps the Red

The girls' hockey team skated to a decisive 6-2 win over Exeter on Wednesday in Exeter, NH, as Melissa Tetreau scored three goals to lead the Blue offense. Andover got on the board with a power play goal at 10:05 in the first period when Tetreau scored on a slap shot from the blue line. She was assisted by Lauren Seno and Megan Shea. Less than one minute later, Tetreau struck again skating into the zone on a two-on-one and beating the goalie high on the glove side. Assists went to Megan Montecalvo and Megan Shea. Lindsay Moramarco increased the lead with 13:16 left to play in the second. After a shot by Nicole Crocker, Moramarco pounced on the rebound near the goal line and slid the puck in behind the goalie. Crocker then made it 4-0 at 9:33 of the second when she found a rebound after a flurry of shots and forced it into the goal (assists to Moramarco and Julie Wadland). With 7:01 left to play in the second, Tetreau completed her hat trick. She skated in from the blue line to pick up a loose puck and found the top corner of the net, firing it over the goalie's outstretched glove. Montecalvo had the assist. With the score 5-0, Exeter changed goaltenders and looked to turn things around. Andover was whistled for a boarding penalty with 6:51 left to play in the second, and Exeter promptly converted the power play a half-minute later. Andover's Julie Wadland responded with 4:53 left in the second to make the score 6-1. Exeter never let down, and they managed to score a second goal at the final buzzer. For the Big Blue in goal, O'Hara Shipe registered 26 saves in the first two periods and Melissa McDonald took over in the third, turning away 12 of 13 shots. The team is now 8-6-1 and takes on Brooks School Friday at 4:00 PM on Brooks' ice.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-6-04

OPPONENT: Brooks

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-11-04

OPPONENT: Tabor

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-13-04

OPPONENT: N. in H.

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

2/13/04 Girls Hockey Pounds Northfield-Mount Hermon

The Andover girls skated to an 11-0 varsity hockey victory over NMH on Friday evening at the Harrison Rink. Lindsay Moramarco and Megan Shea each registered a hat trick for the Big Blue. Brenda Jones, Nicole Crocker, Lauren Seno, Melissa Tetreau, and Marissa Hudson also had goals for PA. Brenda Jones(2), Melissa Tetreau, Audrey Deguire, Megan Shea(2), Marissa Hudson(2), Nicole Crocker(2), Erin Mullany, and Julie Wadland(2) earned the assists.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-18-04

OPPONENT: Nobles' Greenough

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

2/18/04 Unbeaten Nobles Skates Past PA

Andover lost 6-2 to an undefeated Nobles squad in girls hockey on Wednesday. Both teams generated early scoring chances, but it was Nobles that found the back of the net. Nobles' Whitney Dziama scored the first goal of the game with 4:51 left to play in the first. Sarah Parsons scored two more for Nobles before the end of the period (at 3:26 and 2:07) to make the score 3-0. Melissa Tetreau put Andover on the board early in the second period. She received a pass from Lindsay Moramarco in the slot and beat the goalie with a backhand shot. Nobles extended their lead with three more goals in the second period, but Julie Wadland scored a second Andover goal (assisted by Megan Montecalvo and Melissa Tetreau) with 47.1 seconds left to play in the second. The third period was scoreless. Andover faces Milton at home on Friday.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-20-04

OPPONENT: Milton

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-25-04

OPPONENT: Holderness

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

2/25/04 Girls Hockey Blanks Holderness

Andover's girls varsity hockey team defeated Holderness for the first time in four years on Wednesday. Andover attacked Holderness from the opening face-off and managed to outshoot their opponent 18 to 9 in the first period. Lauren Seno put Andover on the board after just 1 minute and 37 seconds of play. Nicole Crocker took a shot from the slot that was turned away by the goalie, but Seno found the rebound. Megan Shea scored the second goal four minutes later. She was assisted by Seno and Crocker. The remainder of the game was scoreless. O'Hara Shipe had a great day in the goal. She snagged, blocked, stuffed and covered 24 shots to earn her sixth shutout of the season.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-28-04

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

GIRLS HOCKEY LOSES TO GDA

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place in the tournament, they were unable to pull through. Fatigue and sickness had set in with the team and added to the inherent stresses of playing an early morning game. Loomis was able to dominate the game, but goalie Shipe was unfazed and stopped 63 out of 64 shots, quite a feat. Fellow teammate Montecalvo noted, "You can go on and on about O' Hara because she did really well throughout the whole tournament." Finally with just 33 seconds left to play, Loomis scored an open net goal. The contest was lost 2-0.

In Andover's latest game, this past Wednesday against GDA, they could not pull through to win. Tetreau scored an early goal on a pass from Jones. As teammate Wadland noted, "[Tetreau] carries a strong, experienced sense of the game to our team." A win, however, was not in the works for the Lady Blue. GDA won 3-2, spoiling Andover's first game of the new year.

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Melissa Tetreau '06 (top) looks to sneak the puck past the GDA goalie in Wednesday's game. Despite a solid effort all over the rink and solid play from Goalie O'Hara Shipe '04, the Lady Blue lost to Governor Dummer, 3-2, in their first game of the new year.

GDA Slips Past Girls Hockey

by JP Martignetti

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Crocker. Andover finished the contest with a 4-1 win over BB&N.

Andover's next appearance was against the proven St. Mark's squad. With minutes to play in the first period, St. Mark's dunked off a defensive-end face-off on O'Hara Shipe '04. All throughout the second period it was back and forth play, but Andover could not seem to dangle any defenseman and score.

Coming into the third period, Andover was still down 1-0. This period did not prove successful and St. Mark's was able to finish two more goals. The contest ended in a 3-0 loss.

A week later, the Lady Blue came back strong with a great victory over the Maine Select Team. Once the Andover girls got started, there was no stopping them. Lindsay Moramarco '06 provided the spark, tallying one during the first period. The second period brought five more goals. The first was from Melissa Tetreau '04 off a pass from Megan Shea '07.

Next came Moramarco on the attack again, who tipped a shot from Brenda Jones '04 as it passed some dusters out front. Next came another tip in goal from Shea, shot by Megan Montecalvo '06. Wadland followed suit, ripping one from the top of the circles, past the goalie to land top-shelf. Moramarco continued her scoring streak, earning the hat trick and scoring another. The final goal of the day was from Crocker as she deked the goalie right out of the net and scored. Andover finished the contest with a confidence building 7-0 win.

The Lady Blue went next to compete in Taft Holiday tourna-

ment at the beginning of winter break. They faced off first against St. Paul's and finished with a 6-1 win over the Pelicans. Two goals came in the first period from junior Shea, who came out on fire with assists from Montecalvo and Crocker. Again in the first period, a goal each came from Wadland and Montecalvo. In the second period, Seno was able to slap one into the back of the net assisted by Tetreau. The last and final goal of the game came from Crocker, who was assisted by Wadland in the third period. St. Paul's scored with eight minutes left to play in the game, but still the scoreboard revealed a win for PA.

Andover's second game against Taft in the tournament came down to the wire. With ridiculously spectacular goaltending, Andover was unable to score throughout the whole game. Shipe kept the puck out of Andover's net as well, leaving the game at a 0-0 stalemate when the final whistle blew. After a scoreless five-minute overtime, it came down to a five person per team shootout. The shootout was not so successful for Andover and ended 2-0 with a win for Taft.

In Andover's final game against Loomis to battle for third

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The Lady Blue Skaters have been on a rollercoaster already this year. Beating BB&N, the Maine Select Team and Saint Pauls, but losing to Governor Dummer, St. Marks,

Loomis and Taft, Andover is a team searching for an identity.

Andover started the season with a decisive win against BB&N. The game did not start well for the Lady Blue, as just minutes into play, BB&N was able to bury one in the back of the net. Andover would not go without reaction. Minutes later, Nikki Crocker '05 sniped a shot past BB&N's goalie during a scrum in front of the net. More goals followed throughout the game from Julie Wadland '06, Lauren Seno '04, and yet another goal from



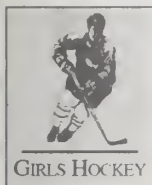
Andover Girls Hockey Dominates New Hampton, SPS, Lawrence

by JP Martingetti

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
New Hampton	1
Andover	5
St. Paul's School	0
Andover	4
Lawrence	2

The Lady Blue had a strong week of hockey by winning all three of their games, including competition with New Hampton, St. Paul's School, and Lawrence Academy. It was an offensive week to say the least.



The week began with a huge win over New Hampton this past Thursday. The Lady Blue came out on fire and played as an offensive force. The game tallied a total of 64 shots on the goalie. Despite a thorough effort to score, the first period ended with both teams scoreless.

The second period took a new life for Andover. Off of a nice shot from Melissa Tetreau '06, Megan Shea '07 was able to put away the rebound and start off Andover's scoring. Late in the second period, Andover struck again as Nicole Crocker '05 buried one from the slot, as she was assisted by Julie Wadland '06 and Marissa Hudson '04. Andover would refuse to finish the period without another key goal. With less than a minute left to play in the 2nd, off of a shot from Shea, and numerous rebound shots by Tetreau, Lauren Seno '05 put away the goal. Again, junior superstar Shea sniped Andover's fourth goal halfway through the 3rd period with an assist from Hudson. Needless to say, someone told New Hampton to try harder a little too late. They score with just 0.3 seconds left to play to make the final score 4-1. Goaltender O'Hara Shipe made 15 saves of 16 shots, playing well.

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Andover Girls Hockey defeats three competitors on its winning streak this week.

Shea started the scoring by shelving a rebound off a shot by Seno minutes into the game. Again Shea sniped off of a rebound from Tetreau's shot from the slot. Seno came next to make the game 3-0 at the very beginning of the 2nd period off a magnificent pass from Tetreau. Shea topped off her ill game by getting her hat in the third off of a shot from Tetreau and a beautiful tip in out front of the net. Lindsay Moramarco '06 added the final goal by dishing one in the net with less than a minute left to play in the game with assists from Crocker and Hudson.

The girls played their next game this Wednesday against Lawrence Academy, a girls' hockey power. Did this intimidate the mighty Blue? I think not. Did the fact that one of Lawrence's players was well over six feet tall matter to the Andover girls? Yes, but they still won. The first period was a hard fought period, but neither team was able to put the puck away, and the period was mostly made up of hard work at both ends of the ice for both teams. Merely 8 seconds into the second period, Crocker buried the first goal of the game. The offensive purge wouldn't stop there. Seno was able to bury two more goals over the course of this game. A tip-in goal would come from Moramarco off of a bomb from

Wadland. Giving Andover four goals, Lawrence could only manage to net two. The game ended with this result and it put the girls hockey team at a 6-5 record, boosting them over .500. Megan Montecalvo '06 noted, "Yeah well, Brenda still lays down the law as far as I am concerned." Brenda Jones '04 along with Montecalvo and Hudson power the Big Blue defense and shutdown Lawrence. They were able to finish very well against Lawrence's very small goalie. Numerous times the Big Blue was able to shutdown Lawrence on power plays and even a 5 on 3 power play. Tetreau lost an edge during the game and it was a dedicated team effort to get this star back on the ice as soon as possible.

With three wins on the week, everyone wants to know their secret. Apparently to get focused for the game, the team plays Candy Land before they hit the ice, a fact that has been admitted by numerous players. For their pre-game warm-up, apparently Britney Spears is the music of choice. In any case the team is pumped about their recent domination and player Montecalvo and goaltender Melissa McDonald '06 say, "Winning this game, brought faith for the remainder of the season to be able to compete with the top teams in the league."



Football is a large man's game, but it is also a smart man's game. The Pats are just larger and smarter than the Panthers. Look to Brady and Ted Washington for



Students Guess the Big Game

Weston Blake Howe '05
Claim to Fame: JV Mile Champion of the World
Final Score: Patriots Win 17-14

Edge: Patriots, certainly the Patriots

loves to pass the football and Tom Brady is one of the most accurate passers in the NFL. Many compare his play to San Francisco 49ers great Joe Montana. While Brady has a few years (and Super Bowl wins) to go before he reaches that level, he has certainly proven to be cool in the clutch over the course of his career. His wide receivers are excellent route runners, and WR Troy Brown seems to always wind up with the football on third down.

Carolina allowed only 200 yards per game through the air, good enough for tenth in the NFL. The Panthers intercepted four passes in their championship game against the Eagles. Carolina's D will need to be physical at the line of scrimmage with New England's wide receivers and force Brady to beat them deep. New England has too many targets for Carolina to prepare for and a quarterback with a quick release who makes all the right decisions.

Edge: Panthers by a large margin

Faulk to burst through.

give line from creating running lanes for Smith and should be able to prevent the Pats' mended offense against the rush, giving up 107 yards per game. The Panthers' front four are arguably the best in the NFL against the rush, giving up 107 yards per game. Carolina's defense ranked 11th in the Panthers intercepted four passes in their championship game against the Eagles. Carolina's D will need to be physical at the line of scrimmage with New England's wide receivers and force Brady to beat them deep. New England has too many targets for Carolina to prepare for and a quarterback with a quick release who makes all the right decisions.

between passing plays. The only playoff team that ranked lower in rushing yards per game than the Patriots was the St. Louis Rams. Heading into December, the bulk of New England's ground game went through the agile Kevin Faulk, who also served as a receiving threat out of the backfield. But over the last four games, Antowain Smith has regained his 2001 form, twice topping the 100-yard mark and mercilessly running over defenders.

Still, the Pats are just too inconsistent and too impatient to mount much of a ground assault against the Panthers. Carolina's defense ranked 11th in the NFL against the rush, giving up 107 yards per game. The Panthers' front four are arguably the best in the NFL against the rush, giving up 107 yards per game. Carolina's defense ranked 11th in the Panthers intercepted four passes in their championship game against the Eagles. Carolina's D will need to be physical at the line of scrimmage with New England's wide receivers and force Brady to beat them deep. New England has too many targets for Carolina to prepare for and a quarterback with a quick release who makes all the right decisions.

PA Girls Hockey Trumps Exeter

by JP Martignetti
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Deerfield	3
Andover	0
Andover	7
Exeter	1

This was yet another mixed week for the Andover Girls Varsity Hockey. After a shut-out loss against the Big Green, Andover ended the week with a drastic win over rival Exeter.

Andover started off the week

on Saturday with a game against Deerfield, a Girls Hockey powerhouse. Hitting the ice determined to take on the talented Deerfield team, the girls struggled to get on the scoreboard. Andover did not bring the necessary intensity to the game and it was obvious something was missing from the ice.

After three periods of unproductive play, the girls were not able to come up with a goal. The defensive unit, missing key player Brenda Jones '04, the Andover Girls Hockey Team was unable to defend the goal against Deerfield

tough play, and the Big Green was able to put home three goals. It was not the best effort of the Lady Blue, and players were disappointed with the results. The game ended sent the Deerfield girls home with a big 3-0 win.

This past Wednesday, determined to make up for their recent loss, the Lady Blue knew what they had to do to beat Exeter. They traveled to the dungeon-like rink of Exeter to beat up our rivals in their own barn. Lower star Melissa Tetreau '06 knew that she had to show Exeter what they would be dealing with for the next two seasons to come.

The Lady Blue unpacked their bus and got into the locker room with one thing in mind, winning. The game began as all Andover-Exeter events do, with many fans, much intensity, and the need to win.

Tetreau was be the star of the game, scoring three goals during the game to earn herself a hat trick. Exeter could not handle the heat Andover brought forth. More goals came from Julie Wadland '06, Nikki Crocker '05 and Lindsay Moramarco '06.

In the third period, with Melissa McDonald '06 in goal, the Lady Blue maintained control of the ice. Marissa Hudson '04, Meg Montecalvo '06 and Jones all played well. As the playoffs and season comes closer to an end, the girls will want to end out the season on a strong note.



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PA Girls Hockey went 1-1 on the week.



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Forward Nikki Crocker '05 faces off with her Tabor opponent in Wednesday's game. The girls dropped the game 4-3.

Lady Blue Hockey Drops A Pair, Falling to Brooks School, Tabor

by JP Martignetti
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS POET

Brooks	3
Andover	2
Tabor	4
Andover	3

The Lady Big Blue had a disappointing week. They played well but the results were meek.

They played against Brooks and Tabor but were unable to grab any wins. It was a 3-2 loss, not winning but scoring twins.

All the players agree that they should have taken the day. Brooks is a big rival and they wanted them to pay.

It was a hard fought game and then team played very well. Brooks had a lot of talent and a win for Andover would not sell.

Andover was able to slip to pass the goalie's hand; these goals came from Lindsay Moramarco '06 and lower Julie Wadland.

Defensively, the team played strong. Many penalties made the game really long.

Brooks put away two of their goals on the power play. Andover could hardly protect against this offense all day.

'Strong defensive games came from all classes, offensively they just could not put away any goals off of beautiful passes.

The coaching staff had hoped for a beat, but Brooks team this year appeared to be elite.

The team says the game should have been theirs for the taking; apparently the game was full of fight making.

There were many penalties

the Andover girls had to play through; against such a good team this was troublesome too.

Brooks had a very good net minder in goal. They also had the home rink advantage letting them be the dominating role.

Andover dropped this game 3-2.

This past Wednesday the Lady Blue was up against Tabor. This game would be another one of labor.

Tabor brought its "A game" and came out on fire, Andover did not put forth right away and was too soon to retire.

As time went by the game was pretty even, more fans were coming and no one was leaving.

It was a great game right down until the buzzer went off, and unlike the Brooks game, this game was not nearly as rough.

Going into the third period the game was tied at 2-2, and one more goal would be a win for the Big Blue.

The score was 3-2 in favor of Tabor with moments to go, and as Andover pulled their goalie to get the man advantage it left the net solo.

Tabor scored making the game 4-2, but Andover was not ready to lose.

With 20 seconds left Melissa Tetreau '06 buried a goal. This gave the team some heart and soul.

They played with all they had for all of the time remaining, but were unable to score and Tabor's 4-3 win was containing.

Andover played well and put forth a great attitude. Offense played well and defensively with latitude.

They worked the ice up and

down, but the defense was unable to keep Tabor down.

On the whole, the week was one of learning. Most people have a feeling that next week the tides will be turning.

Andover maintains their strong beliefs for the season and will be fighting for two wins next weekday, including a game against NMH today.

PA Girls Hockey Trounces NMH, Falls Hard to Nobles Bulldogs

by Alex Lebow
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Nobles	6
Andover	2
Andover	11
NMH	0

The Andover Girls Hockey Team traveled to Dedham this week to take on an undefeated Nobles team. The Nobles Bulldogs, favorites in the upcoming New England tournament, defeated the Big Blue 6-2. Although the opposition outscored Andover 3-0 in the first period, the Girls in Blue immediately made adjustments and improved their play throughout the remainder of the game.

Yet, with five minutes to go in the second period, Andover penalties allowed Nobles to slip two more in the net in a span of just thirty seconds. Amidst the Bulldog barrage, sophomores Julie Wadland and Melissa Tetreau highlighted the Andover effort with one goal apiece. To rid Nobles of their shutout, Lindsay Moramarco '06 fed Tetreau the biscuit and she slapped it top shelf.

For Andover's second goal, Julie Wadland, last in a series of crisp coast to coast consecutive passes, chipped a low shot past the Nobles goalie. Paying no attention to the score, netminder O'Hara Shipe '04

recorded thirty-eight saves and held her ground in the net. Furthermore, defenders Brenda Jones '04, Audrey Deguire '04, and Meg Montecalvo '06 helped the team shut down the Bulldog offense in the third period.

Despite the opponent's scoring parade early on, the Lady Blue showed their ability to compete with a very talented Nobles team. Nevertheless, the lack of shots and high number of penalty minutes made it difficult for the Big Blue to come back from a 6-2 deficit. Highly supportive assistant coach

and period, possibly one of the best of the season." The girls look forward to the possibility of a rematch against Nobles in the near future.

On a more positive note, the girls dominated Northfield Mount Hermon last Friday in a terrific team effort. Marissa Hudson '04 and Brenda Jones '04 contributed three assists between them.

Nikki Crocker '05, Lauren Seno '05, and Tetreau each scored one goal. Teammates praised the efforts of underclassmen sensations Lindsay

Moramarco '06 and Megan Shea '07, who both picked up hat tricks.

Moramarco received excellent passes from Jones and Deguire on her first and second goals of the evening. Montecalvo applauded the efforts of both girls, "Both Lindsay and Megan established themselves as valuable assets to our team." Referees limited the action with a high number of penalties for both Andover (9) and NMH (13). Andover did not allow this strict officiating to break their rhythm, skating to an 11-0 victory over the NMH Hogs.

Even though the

individual performances of Moramarco and Jones were impressive, the squad has found the most success as a whole. Seno emphasized, "The team plays so well as a single unit; a lot of different players, even the occasional defender scores, and this year especially, the team is so strong in personality." Each week different skaters contribute to the overall success of this hockey team. With three games remaining in the regular season, the Andover Girls hockey team hopes to improve their record and earn a berth in post-season play.



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Captain Marissa Hudson '04 carries the puck down the ice, shielding it from her Nobles opponent.

Caroline Odden said, "Obviously it's tough to lose by such a margin, however we have such talent, and it was clear especially on the series that led to Wad's goal in the sec-



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Julie Wadland '06 squares off against an Exeter defender last Saturday. Wadland had one goal on the day to add to Andover's 6-0 victory.

Girls Hockey Slams Exeter, Ends Season With a Shutout

by JP Martingetti
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
Exeter	0

Girls Hockey ended their season with a bang. The final game left a great feeling for their careers here at Andover for the seniors.

Playing against their biggest rivals, Exeter. The Andover Lady Blue would not be intimidated. This was their second contest against Exeter this year, and it was to be their second victory.

They hit the ice flying and never looked back. The first period was quick, yet Andover couldn't manage to get the scoring going. They outplayed and outshot Exeter brutally but just

could not seem to find the back of the net.

The second period would tell a different story. The girls started off the period by scoring. Numerous goals came rifling. Andover had goals from Julie Wadland '06, Lauren Seno '06, Nikki Crocker '05, and Lindsay Moramarco '06. A stellar game yet again came from Melissa Tetreau '06 who buried two goals.

The game turned into an all out blowout and Exeter could do nothing but try and keep up with the faster pace of the home team girls.

Andover controlled the second half and maintained their victory. The game would finish with a score of 6-0, enough to send Exeter home crying.

Yet another Andover vs.

Exeter victory for the mighty blue had finished. Marissa Hudson '04 noted her thoughts about the game, "we were sick." In other words she thought that they played really well.

After a long season, it was a very hard fought win. The fans and players enjoyed themselves, finishing out the season rolling over Exeter.

The girls expect a big year next year, as their stats have shown much of the core of the team is based around the returning players. A new dynasty is in the making for Girls Hockey here at Andover, yet another is on its way out.

Meg Montecalvo '06 added, "It was a really fun season and we played well in most games. I can't wait for next season to start up again."

SPORT: Boys Varsity Hockey

YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: Cory Schnieder '04

HOME ADDRESS:

Marblehead, MA

MANAGER (S): Sarah Hong

Clarissa Deng

Stacey Andreakis

HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: _____

ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON _____ LOST _____ TIED _____





SQUAD STATISTICS

Name & Home Address	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
Ben Weiner Andover, MA			06	
Steve Russell Andover, MA			04	
J.P. Martignetti Winchester, MA			06	
Hunter Thunell Walpole, MA			06	
Colin Touhy Brooklyn, NY			06	
Artie Mittnacht Lawrenceville, NJ			04	
Anthony Christiano Andover, MA			06	
Ben Ernst Saratoga Springs, NY			04	
Michael Foley Medford, MA			04	
Jed McDonald Hingham, MA			04	
Joel Smith Woburn, MA			07	
Steve Rolecek Bedford, NH			05	
Matt Fram Methuen, MA			04	
Kyle Kucharski Saugus, MA			05	
Mike McMahon Wilmington, MA			06	
Ben Hoerner Andover, MA			05	
Mike Eruzione Winthrop, MA			0 04	

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BOYS VARSITY HOCKEY

2003-2004

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1	Schneider, Cory	04	G	6'2	195	Marblehead, MA
2	Ernst, Ben	04	D	6'1	185	Saratoga Springs, NY
3	McDonald, Jed	04	D	6'2	195	Hingham, MA
5	Christiano, Anthony	06	D	5'8	185	Andover, MA
6	Russell, Stephen	04	F	6'0	175	Andover, MA
7	Weiner, Ben	06	F	5'9	170	Andover, MA
8	Thunell, Hunter	06	D	6'3	185	Walpole, MA
10	Rolecek, Steven	05	F	5'10	175	Bedford, NH
11	Hoerner, Ben	05	F	6'0	165	Andover, MA
12	Burke, Kevin	06	F	5'11	170	Rye, NY
13	Touhey, Colin	06	F	6'0	180	Brooklyn, NY
14	Engelhardt, Paul	06	F	5'7	145	Bay City, MI
15	Dignard, Thomas	06	D	5'10	180	Reading, MA
16	Fram, Matt	04	F	6'1	185	Methuen, MA
17	Martignetti, John Paul	06	F	6'3	210	Winchester, MA
18	McMahon, Mike	06	D	5'10	160	Wilmington, MA
20	Foley, Mike	04	F	5'11	175	Medford, MA
22	Smith, Joe	07	F	6'1	180	Woburn, MA
23	Kucharski, Kyle	05	F	6'2	185	Saugus, MA
24	Mittnacht, Artie	04	F	6'1	190	Princeton, NJ
28	Eruzione, Mike	04	F	5'10	165	Winthrop, MA
33	Ward, Matthew	06	G	5'9	165	Boxford, MA

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Asst. Coach: Tom Guden

Athletic Director:
Trainers:

Managers:

Captain:

Martha Fenton
Brian Cox, Mike Kuta,
Kathy Birecki
~~Julia Bacon '04~~ Clarissa Deng '05
Stacey Andreadakis '06
Sarah Hong '05
Cory Schneider

DATE OF CONTEST: 11-19-03

OPPONENT: Tilton

WHERE PLAYED

RESULTS:

11/19/03 Hockey Team Wins Opener

Tilton 0 1 0 = 1

PA 1 3 0 = 4

The PA boys varsity hockey team traveled to Tilton, NH, to open the 2003-04 season and got off to a strong start with a 4-1 win over the host Rams. PA controlled play in the first period outshooting Tilton 14-2, but the Big Blue were able to score only once on a power play. Mike Foley netted the season's first goal, connecting from Kyle Kucharski and Tom Dignard. PA continued to press, outshooting Tilton 23-14 in the second and scoring three times. Foley scored his second from Jed McDonald, Jean Paul Martignetti followed with a goal, assisted by Ben Ernst and Dignard, and McDonald netted his first of the year from Martignetti and Hunter Thunnell. No goals scored in the third, with PA goalie Cory Schneider stopping a Tilton breakaway midway through the period. Final shots on goal: PA 53 Tilton 24. The Big Blue got very good efforts from Steve Rolocek, Kucharski. Artie Mitnacht and Joey Smith. Defensemen Dignard, Thunnell, McDonald, Ernst, and Mike McMahon all turned in a solid performance. Captain Cory Schneider was rock solid in net. Naturally, the team has a lot of work to do, but this was a good start.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-15-03

OPPONENT: St. Paul's

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

12/15/03 Boys Hockey Ices St. Paul's

Andover 2 0 1 =3

St. Paul's 1 0 0 =1

The Big Blue varsity boys hockey team was back in action Monday after the exam-week layoff and skated to a 3-1 win over St. Paul's. PA opened the scoring with a power play goal in the first period: Mike Foley from Steve Rolocek and Jed McDonald. The Saints evened the score 13 seconds later. Later in the first, Rolocek outmuscled a defender down low to score with an assist from Foley. After a scoreless second period, Tom Dignard scored in the third from Steve Russell off a scramble in front. Cory Schneider was immense in net for PA, turning away 24 of 25 shots. The St Paul's goalie faced 32 shots, stopping 29.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-19-03

OPPONENT: Milton

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

12/19/03 Blue Ices Milton In Flood Marr Opener

Andover 1 1 2 = 4

Milton 0 0 1 = 1

In the first game of the Flood Marr Tournament, the PA boys varsity ice hockey team defeated Milton 4-1 on Friday. Andover's Kyle Kucharski scored the only goal of the first period from Tom Dignard. John Paul Martignetti scored from Joe Smith in the second to make it 2-0 for the Blue. Milton cut the lead in half 6 minutes into the third, but Mike Foley answered unassisted 2 minutes later to put PA up 3-1. Steve Rolocek from Foley and Mitnacht finished the scoring. PA was sluggish in the first two periods but played better in the third. The Milton goalie had 26 saves on 30 shots. Matt Ward played very well in goal for Andover with 10 saves on 11 shots. PA takes on Westminster and Salisbury Saturday.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-20-03

OPPONENT: Westminster

WHERE PLAYED

RESULTS:

12/20/03 BV Hockey 2-0 vs. Westminster at Flood Marr
BV Hockey 0-2 vs. Salisbury at Flood Marr

PA Downs Westminster In Flood Marr Hockey Tournament

Andover 1 1 0 = 2

Westminster 0 0 0 = 0

The PA boys varsity hockey team defeated Westminster in a Flood Marr Tournament game played at Milton on Saturday morning. Jed McDonald opened the scoring for the Blue 12 minutes into the first period on a goal with assist from Steve Rolocek and Miike Foley. In the second period, Foley scored from Artie Mitnacht and Rolocek. The third period was scoreless as Cory Schneider made several huge stops down the stretch to preserve the win.. Andover outshot Westminster 31-21 overall.

Andover 0 0 0 = 0

Salisbury 0 2 0 = 2

In a semi-final showdown of two 2-0 teams, Andover took on Salisbury Saturday afternoon on the Milton ice with the winner heading to the Flood Marr tournament finals. Andover was badly outplayed in the first period. Salisbury outshot the Blue 11-2, but goalie Cory Schneider kept PA in the game at 0-0. Salisbury scored at 6:12 off a deflection and then made it 2-0 on a breakaway a minute later. Andover started to take the play away in the second period, outshooting Salisbury 9-6, but still trailed 2-0. Andover came out hard in the third, using four power plays to outshoot Salisbury 19-4, but still couldn't put anything behind their goalie. It was a frustrating loss with the chance to advance on the line. The PA team will play Nobles in the consolation game Saturday at noon at Milton.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-21-03

OPPONENT: Nobles

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

12/21/03 Boys Hockey Plays Consolation Game

Andover 0 1 3 = 4

Nobles 0 0 1 = 1

Andover defeated Nobles 4-1 in the consolation game of the Flood Marr tournament on Sunday. The score does not really tell the story as PA was outplayed badly the whole game. Goaltender Cory Schneider made 44 saves on 45 shots to preserve the win. The first period ended 0-0 thanks to 14 saves by Schneider. Kyle Kucharski scored in the second from John Paul Martignetti and Joe Smith to put the Blue up 1-0 while Schneider racked up 12 more saves. Nobles tied it midway through the third before Steve Russell got the game winner from Matt Fram and Ben Hoerner a minute and a half later. Nobles pulled their goalie with a minute left after Andover was assessed a penalty. Andover scored twice on the empty net - Steve Rolocek from Mike Foley, and Foley unassisted. Schneider made 18 saves on 19 shots in the final period. Andover was gld to be awarded the consolation trophy for third place in the Flood Marr Tournament, but the team left the ice knowing that Schneider had stolen a game for them on a day that they did not play well.. Nobles does have a very explosive offense, and PA will need a better defensive effort from everyone in future games. With a 6-1 record at the break, the team is looking forward to some time off and then to their return to the ice in January.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1/10/04

OPPONENT: Choate

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: 5-2 Andover

1/10/04 PA Hockey Battles Choate; Comes Away With 5-2 Win

Choate 0 1 1 = 2

PA 2 0 3 = 5

It was far from a Picasso, but it was a win for the boys varsity hockey team as they ground out a 5-2 decision over visiting Choate Rosemary Hall on Saturday at the Harrison Rink. A goal by J.P. Martignetti from Joe Smith got PA started on the power play at 3:38 of the first. Steve Rolocek from Artie Mitnacht and Tom Dignard at 14:25 gave the Blue a 2-0 edge to end the first period. In a penalty-filled second period, Choate managed to close the gap with 55 seconds left in the period after Andover couldn't clear the zone. Martignetti scored his second unassisted off a faceoff early in the third. But PA allowed Choate back in the game on a power play goal with 8 minutes left in the final period. Rolocek scored his second from Mike Foley and Hunter Thunell 4 minutes later to bring the lead back to two goals. Smith finished it up from Rolocek on an empty net goal with 43 seconds left in the game. It was a very physical game overall. Coach Boylan believes the team needs to continue to concentrate on a disciplined approach in all three zones.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1/14/04

OPPONENT: Bridgton

WHERE PLAYED Home

RESULTS: 3-2 Bridgton

1/14/04 Boys Hockey Yields Late Goal; Drops 3-2 Game to Bridgton

Bridgton 0 1 2 = 3 Andover 0 1 1 = 2

Andover's varsity boys hockey team played a very low energy first period, which would eventually come back to bite them. Though there was no score after one, PA came out of intermission to start the second at the same speed and allowed Bridgton to score 4 minutes into the period. The goal seemed to wake up the home-skating Blue, and they pressured Bridgton for the bulk of the second period--eventually scoring with 3 minutes to go in the period-- Joe Smith from Artie Mittnacht and Tom Dignard. Mittnacht made a nice play walking in from the corner. Bridgton scored on a bad changeup by Andover with 8 minutes gone in the third. A long Bridgton shot from the point was tipped at the top of the circle, leaving PA's Cory Schneidier little chance of a save. Andover continued to pressure and tied it on a power play with 4:52 to go. Mike Foley scored from Kyle Kucharski and Hunter Thunell. PA had numerous chances, but turned the puck over at their own blue line, leading to a Bridgton breakaway and the deciding goal on a shot from inside the top of the circle. Schneider made 26 saves on 29 shots in the Andover net, while the Bridgton goalie saved 29 out of 31. Coach Boylan stressed that the team needs to cut down turnovers and skate with more energy through all three periods.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1/17/04

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED Exeter

RESULTS: 5-1

1/17/04 PA Ice Hockey Downs PEA With Strong Third Period

Exeter 1 0 0 = 1

Andover 1 1 3 = 5

The varsity boys ice hockey team got a very good effort from everyone as they visited Exeter on Saturday. PA started slowly, giving up the first goal, but finished the first period tied 1-1 after J.P. Martignetti scored from Kyle Kucharski and Joe Smith to even the score with 5 minutes left in the period. Then the Big Blue outplayed the Red in the second period, outshooting them 22-8, but only managed to leave the period ahead 2-1. Steve Rolocek scored the go-ahead goal from Mike Foley and Jed McDonald. Foley then scored 2 minutes into the third period from Rolocek and Artie Mitnacht to give PA a 2- goal lead--it was a great individual effort by Foley. With the score still 3-1 and 4 minutes left to play, Andover was called for a penalty. Exeter pulled their goalie, but Foley won the face-off in his own end and scored an empty net goal unassisted. Kucharski finished the scoring on an unassisted, shorthanded, goal late in the period. Cory Schneider was immense in net for the Blue with 31 saves while his teammates threw 41 shots on the Exeter goalie.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1.21.04

OPPONENT: St. Sebastian's

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: 4-3

1/21/04 Boys Hockey Tops St. Sebastian's In Overtime

Andover 1 1 1 1 = 4

St Sebastian's 0 3 0 0 = 3

Recovering from a barrage of St. Sebastian's shots in the second period, the Big Blue ice hockey team tied the game in the third and went on to win in overtime on Wednesday at the Harrison Rink. The two teams played an even first period, but PA managed a 1-0 lead on a goal by Steve Rolocek from Jed McDonald and Hunter Thunell. Cory Schneider made a number of good saves for Andover as the home team was outshot 9-7. St. Sebs came out hard in the second and, with a 2-man advantage, evened the score 5 minutes into the period. Rolocek scored again from Mike Foley to put PA ahead, but St. Sebastian's dominated the period and managed to score twice more to go into the third with a 3-2 lead. Andover was outshot 13-5 in the second, Schneider battling to keep the flying rubber out of the net and his team in the game. It was a big flurry for St. Sebastian's, and some clubs might have folded in the third period. But Coach Boylan and Coach Guden were very proud of the way their players responded to the challenge. J P Martignetti scored unassisted on a tremendous individual effort with 7 minutes to go in the final period, and Schneider continued to make some ridiculous saves to send the game into overtime. With 2 minutes left in OT, Martignetti made a great rush, sending the pass over to Joe Smith who finished beautifully with a backhand past the St. Sebs goalie. With some key players injured, other players stepped up to a big challenge for the Blue. Nice win, but no time to relax with two more big games coming up this weekend against Thayer and Nobles.

DATE OF CONTEST: 01.23.04

OPPONENT: Thayer

WHERE PLAYED Canton

RESULTS: 2-2

1/23/04 Hobbled Hockey Team Steps Up; Strong Effort Earns Tie With Thayer

Andover 1 1 0 0 = 2

Thayer 0 1 1 0 = 2

With several skaters out due to injury, the rest of the Big Blue boys varsity hockey team stepped up to the challenge against a very strong Thayer team on Friday evening. Though all would have preferred a win, the players worked very hard and played well to earn a 2-2 tie against the Tigers who are now 16-1-1. Captain Cory Schneider led the effort with a 46-save night. J.P. Martignetti started off the scoring at 1:17 of the first from Jed McDonald. Thayer tied it with 2:45 left in the period, but Schneider made 15 saves to keep the game knotted. Steve Rolocek scored on a great individual effort short-handed to put the Blue ahead 2-1 ten minutes into the second period. The period ended with Andover up 2-1 and Schneider making another 13 saves. Thayer scored the tying goal with 7 minutes left in the game. With 3 minutes to go in OT Andover was assessed a tripping penalty, but the team worked very hard in their own end and managed to keep Thayer off the board to preserve the tie. The Blue had a couple of good chances to win the game late, but couldn't find the back of the net. With only a short time to catch their breath, the team takes on a very good Nobles team on Saturday at 2:30 on home ice.

DATE OF CONTEST: 01. 24. 04

OPPONENT: Noble and Greenbough

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: 2-2

1/24/04 Schneider Stops 54 Shots: Blue Earns 2-2 Overtime Tie With Nobles

Andover 1 1 0 0 = 2

Nobles 1 0 1 0 = 2

For the third game in a row, the boys varsity ice hockey team played into overtime, and once again, the Big Blue hung tough with the help of goalie Cory Schneider who stopped 54 of 56 shots as the team earned a 2-2 tie with Noble & Greenough. After defeating St. Sebastian's 4-3 on Wednesday in overtime on Wednesday and skating to a 2-2 tie with Thayer on Friday evening, this was PA's third game in four days and against one of the best skating teams they will see all season. At the Harrison Rink Saturday, Nobles opened the scoring 4 minutes into the first on a turnover in the PA end. Andover's Jed McDonald made a great individual effort to tie the game on an unassisted goal with 1 minute left in the first. Schneider kicked out 21 to keep the game tight. PA scored in the second to take the lead--Paul Engelhardt from Hunter Thunell on a power play--and Schneider stopped another 15 shots. After throwing a lot of rubber at Schneider and pressuring the PA defense relentlessly, Nobles finally tied it in the third on a scramble in front. In OT both teams had some scoring chances, with Nobles having the better of the play, but a weary Andover squad hung on for a hard-earned tie. Skating without key players both Friday and Saturday, the Blue put forth a big effort against two strong opponents, and the team hopes to be back at full strength this week. Andover hosts Brewster Academy on the Harrison ice Wednesday at 2:30.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-31-04

OPPONENT: Loomis

WHERE PLAYED

RESULTS:

1/31/04 Boys Hockey Trumps Loomis

Andover 1 2 2 = 5

Loomis 0 0 1 = 1

Traveling to Connecticut on Saturday to take on Loomis Chaffee, the boys varsity hockey team came away with a 5-1 win. PA played well in the first, coming out hard with a lot of pressure. Kyle Kucharski scored late in the first from Mike Foley and Steve Rolecek to put the Blue up 1-0. Between periods the coaches reminded the team that they needed to finish better on their scoring opportunities, and they responded with two more goals in the second. Kucharski scored his second of the game, this time with assists from Joe Smith and Mike McMahon, then Jed McDonald found the net, assisted by Paul Engelhardt and Matt Fram. Andover limited Loomis to 5 shots in the period. Ahead 3-0 going into the third, PA looked for a tight checking third period, but it didn't materialize. Instead the team surrendered 13 shots, and Matt Ward played well in goal, giving up only one score in the period. Rolecek scored early in the third unassisted and Ben Ernst finished the scoring from Kucharski and Rolecek. Ward wound up with 24 saves. Overall, the Blue turned in two good periods, but did not play the way they need to with a lead in the final period. The team will be working on tightening that up this week as they get ready for a tough game against Deerfield Wednesday.

DATE OF CONTEST: 01 28.04

OPPONENT: Brewster

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: 2-0

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1/28/04 Boys Hockey Shuts Out Brewster

Andover 1 1 0 = 2

Brewster 0 0 0 = 0

The Andover defense, anchored by goalie Cory Schneider, blanked visiting Brewster Academy 2-0 on the home Harrison ice Wednesday afternoon. Brewster played well, but PA broke on top, scoring in the first period when Kyle Kucharski capitalized on a power play with assists by Mike Foley and Steve Rolocek. Rolocek doubled the Andover lead in the second on a beautiful power play rush that featured no fewer than four perfect passes leading up to the goal. Assists came from Foley and Kucharski on the play. Three penalties in the third cost PA momentum. While they managed to kill the penalties successfully, the Blue couldn't add to their lead. Schneider registered 24 saves, and the team worked hard to earn the win against a persistent Brewster club. The Andover team needs to reduce the turnovers in all 3 zones as they take on Loomis this Saturday.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-4-04

OPPONENT: Deerfield

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

2/4/04 Schneider Shuts Out Deerfield; Hockey Team Wins 2-0

Andover 0 0 2 = 2

Deerfield 0 0 0 = 0

This was a big win for the Blue, and they had to battle into the third period to pull it out, while Cory Schneider and the rest of the PA defense worked hard to hold Deerfield in check. Andover had 3 power play opportunities in the first period, but couldn't convert. Then they were outplayed by the Green in the second period, but managed to keep them off the board to remain scoreless. In a tight checking third period, Tom Dignard finally scored off a great feed from Steve Rolecek, Hunter

Thunell getting the other assist, with 5 minutes left in the game. Dignard finished the scoring with an empty net goal with one second left in the game. Coach Boylan and Coach Guden felt the team played a solid third period limiting Deerfield's chances. Schneider stood out, stopping 30 shots to register the shutout, but it was a very good effort from everyone. The team has another big one at Belmont Hill Friday.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2 - 7 - 04

OPPONENT: B. B. & N.

WHERE PLAYED

RESULTS:

2/7/04 Boys Hockey Blasts BB&N

Andover 4 2 1 = 7

BBN 0 1 0 = 1

PA's boys varsity hockey team broke on top early in their match-up with BB&N on Saturday, scoring 4 times in the first period. Andover goals were scored by Mike Foley from Steve Rolecek and Mike McMahon at 6:44, Kyle Kucharski from Joe Smith and Stephen Russell at 8:16, Rolecek from Artie Mitnacht and Foley at 7:44, and Jed McDonald from Russell and Smith at 16:56. The Big Blue then scored shorthanded 1 minute into the second--Foley from Kucharski--to make it 5-0, and Foley completed his hat trick 3 minutes later from Rolecek and Ben Ernst to push the lead to 6. The last half of the second period became sloppy, and Matt Ward, who had replaced Cory Schneider in the PA goal 8 minutes into the second, had to make several good stops. BB&N did get one past the Blue defense with 2 minutes to go in the period. Kucharski finished up the scoring from Russell and Smith in the third. Foley with his hat trick and Kucharski with two goals led the scoring, and Steve Rolecek played a very strong game. Smith and Russell each had 3 assists. The coaches were very pleased with the offensive burst in this game and want to see the team continue to concentrate on cutting down the opponent's opportunities as they come down the stretch this season.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-11-04

OPPONENT: KUA

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

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2/11/04 Boys Hockey Blasts KUA

Andover 2 3 2 = 7

KUA 0 1 0 = 1

The boys varsity hockey team skated to a 7-1 win over Kimball Union Academy on Wednesday, getting what the coaches termed "a solid effort from everyone with only a couple of holes." Joe Smith started the scoring for PA on a great play from Steve Russell and Kyle Kucharski in the first period. Steve Rolecek from Artie Mittnacht and Mike Foley made it 2-0 to end the first. PA started slowly in the second and allowed a goal early in the period to make it 2-1. Russell, with a nice individual effort, scored from Smith 7 minutes into the second to give the Blue a 3-1 lead. Smith then returned the favor from Russell 4 minutes later. Ben Weiner scored unassisted with 1:35 left in the period on a great hustle goal to make it 5-1. Foley from Hunter Thunell and Mittnacht, then Foley again from Rolecek and Mittnacht finished the scoring in the third. It was a strong overall effort for the team with many big contributors. Joe Smith with 2 goals and 1 assist, Mike Foley with 2 and 1 and Steve Russell with 1 and 2 were all major contributors tonight. Cory Schneider was once again brilliant in goal, stopping 24/25 chances. PA will continue to concentrate on reducing the opponents' opportunities as they take on Winchendon on Friday.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-13-04

OPPONENT: Winchendon

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

2/13/04 Big Second Period Lifts Blue Over Winchendon.

Andover 0 3 2 = 5

Winchendon 1 0 1 = 2

In a Friday afternoon hockey match-up with Winchendon at the Harrison Rink, Andover's varsity boys started slowly and left the first period trailing 1-0 despite outshooting the visitors 12-8. The Big Blue regrouped and came out with a strong second, outscoring Winchendon 3-0. The PA goals were scored by Kyle Kucharski from Mike McMahon and Jed McDonald, Steve Rolecek from Hunter Thunell, and Rolecek again on a tremendous individual effort after a pass from Mike Foley. The third period was not a good one for either team. It was penalty-filled, and neither team was able to create any flow due to the constant special teams play. Ben Weiner scored unassisted as did Foley to finish up the Andover scoring. Cory Schneider stopped 22/24 shots in goal for PA, and the Blue threw 44 shots at the Winchendon goalie. As they have been all season, the coaches will continue to stress cutting down opponents' opportunities in the PA end and reducing turnovers in all three zones. Wednesday brings powerhouse Cushing to the Harrison ice for a 3:15 game.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-18-04

OPPONENT: Cushing

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

2/18/04 Cushing Remains Unbeaten; Defeats Boys Hockey 6-1

Andover 0 0 1 = 1

Cushing 1 4 1 = 6

In a showdown between two of New England's top prep school hockey teams, the Big Blue took on Cushing Academy Wednesday in the Harrison Rink. Unfortunately for the home team, it was Cushing who proved themselves the more potent team on this day, as the Purple Penguins posted a 6-1 victory. Andover played a tentative first period, giving Cushing way too much room to operate. PA did have two golden opportunities to convert on breakaways, but were stoned by the Cushing goalie. Meanwhile Cory Schneider made 14 saves to hold the fort at the other end. Late in the period, Cushing did manage a goal on a centering pass from behind the goal, and the first period ended 1-0. Andover started the second period skating better, but it went downhill very quickly, as the team committed numerous turnovers in their own end. Cushing made the Blue pay for their turnovers and their loose defensive zone coverage as the visitors registered 4 goals in a nightmarish 5-minute span. Schneider faced a barrage of 21 shots in the period. In the third, Cushing penalties gave PA several scoring chances. Tom Dignard finally converted from Mike Foley and Paul Engelhardt to get PA on the scoreboard with about 5 minutes remaining. Cushing outshot the Blue 45 to 30. Clearly, it was not the game Andover had wanted to play against the talented Cushing squad, but they will have to quickly shake it off and look ahead to their Friday tilt with Tabor.

... Andover

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-20-04

OPPONENT: Tabor

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

2/20/04 Tabor Edges Boys Hockey in Overtime

Tabor 0 0 2 1 = 3

PA 0 2 0 0 = 2

PA started slowly in this Friday night road game but, thanks to 17 saves by Cory Schneider, came out of the first period 0-0. The team played much better in the second period, and went up 2-0 on goals by Joe Smith from Kyle Kucharski and by Paul Engelhardt from Mike McMahon. Unfortunately, PA stopped skating for the last two minutes of the period, which led to a penalty. Tabor came out on the power play to begin the third and cut the Andover lead in half 54 seconds into the period. The Seawolves kept up the pressure and tied it 2 minutes later on a scramble in front. For the rest of the period, both teams had good chances to go ahead, but neither team could convert. Schneider was immense with another 15 saves. He would finish the day with 45 saves, but 25 seconds into overtime, Tabor scored on another scramble around the goal crease. In the midst of a very tough 5 games in 11 days, the team played hard in a game that could have gone their way, but didn't. The team travels to Belmont Hill on Monday for a make-up game originally scheduled for February 6.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-23-04

OPPONENT: Belmont Hill

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

2/23/04 Hockey Team Notches Big Win

PA 0 0 2 = 2

Belmont Hill 0 0 0 = 0

In a Monday make-up of a game with possible playoff implications for both teams, Andover took on Belmont Hill and skated to a very important 2-0 win. Scoreless through two periods, both teams had chances but couldn't convert. Cory Schneider stopped 17 shots in the second period to keep PA in the game. The Belmont hill offensive opportunities were resulting primarily from PA turnovers in the neutral zone, which the Blue managed to reduce in the final period. With 7:41 left in the game, Mike Foley made a great feed to Steve Rolocek for the winning goal. Artie Mitnacht assisting as well. Andover finished the scoring on an empty net -- Rolocek again from Foley and Kyle Kucharski. It was a hard-earned victory with hustle and determination from everyone. Schneider was immense in goal, stopping all 37 shots. The team travels to NMH on Wednesday before hosting Exeter for the regular season finale on Saturday.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-25-04

OPPONENT: NM11

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

2/25/04 Another Overtime Finish, Another big win for PA

Andover 0 1 0 1 = 2

NMH 0 1 0 0 = 1

After a scoreless first period, Joe Smith fired a bullet through the NMH goalie from Steve Russell and Mike McMahon. NMH tied the game just a minute later. The third period was scoreless, with PA

just missing several great chances on the power play with time running out in the third. But the Andover team would not be denied in overtime, and just 46 seconds into the extra period, Russell made a great play on a face-off in the opponents' end to get the puck to Smith, who snapped home his second to end the game. Cory Schneider was immense in goal for Andover with 23 saves on 24 shots. PA threw 27 shots at the NMH goalie. Russell and Smith had excellent games, as the Blue played hard and found a way to win. Next up is Saturday's showdown with rival Exeter with the puck scheduled to drop at 4:00 p.m. in the Harrison Rink.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-28-04

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED

RESULTS:

2/28/04 Boys Hockey Blanks Exeter; New England Tournament Next

Andover 1 0 1 = 2

Exeter 0 0 0 = 0

The Andover varsity boys hockey team defeated their rivals from Exeter 2-0 Saturday night, for their second win this season over the Red. This one saw a tight first period, with both teams playing strong defense and allowing very limited scoring chances. With 20 seconds to go in the first period, Steve Russell worked very hard to track down the puck behind the Exeter net, spun on a dime and fed the puck to Mike Eruzione who was waiting on the doorstep. Eruzione's one-timer found the net for what would turn out to be the game-winning goal. The second period was scoreless, but PA made some careless turnovers in the neutral zone leading to some good scoring chances for Exeter. Cory Schneider stopped all 10 shots he faced in the period to keep the visitors off the board. Then early in the third, Joe Smith doubled the Andover lead, unassisted, on a great individual effort, taking the puck down the right flank with a defender draped all over him and beating the Exeter goalie short side. The entire PA team worked very hard to earn the win, and Schneider had 25 saves for the Blue. The team has qualified for the New England Prep School tournament and will host Thayer Academy at the Harrison Rink Wednesday in a first round game. At this writing the starting time has not been confirmed.

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PA Big Win For Boys Hockey

DATE OF CONTEST: 3-3-04

OPPONENT: Thayer

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

3/3/04 Boys Hockey Advances in Tourney; Foley's Has Hat Trick

Andover 0 1 3 = 4

Thayer 0 0 1 = 1

The Andover boys hockey team skated to a 4-1 win over visiting Thayer to advance to the semi-finals of the New England Prep School Ice Hockey Association Division I tournament. The first period was played scoreless, although Thayer started to take the play away from PA with about 7 minutes left in the period. Cory Schneider made a couple of big stops in goal for the Blue to keep them off the board. Mike Foley finally scored off a great feed from Steve Rolecek to put Andover up 1-0 with 6 minutes left in the second period. Thayer came out strong in the third and tied the score 2 minutes into the period on a screened shot from the point that Schneider had no chance on. Both teams played well through the third, and then Foley broke the tie on a great backhand over the Thayer goalie with 5 minutes to go. Assists went to Artie Mitnacht and Hunter Thunell. That would prove to be the game-winner, as Thayer pressured, but could not convert. With under a minute to go, Thayer pulled their goalie; after two end zone draws Foley managed to poke the puck loose and completed his hat trick into an empty net. Rolecek finished the scoring 30 seconds later with another empty net goal. Schneider stopped 30 shots and was immense as usual. The entire PA team played very hard in front of him.

DATE OF CONTEST: 3-5-04

OPPONENT: Avon

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____

Outstanding Hockey Season Ends With Semi-Final Loss

Andover 1 0 0 = 1

Avon 2 0 2 = 4

Playing in front of a large, enthusiastic crowd at the Icenter in Salem, NH, the Andover boys varsity hockey team took on Avon Old Farms, the top team in the western region, in a semi-final game of the New England Championship tournament Saturday. PA started quickly with a goal 43 seconds into the game - Steve Rolecek from Mike Foley and Tom Dignard. The Blue then kept good pressure on Avon over the next couple shifts, but couldn't get a second goal. Avon scored on a rebound in front at 4:17 and then picked up a second goal with less than a minute to go in the period. Andover had played a very good period but left trailing 2-1. The second period was scoreless but 6 penalties were called, 3 on each team. The constant special teams required started to take its toll on the Blue. Foley and Rolecek just missed converting on a shorthanded opportunity to tie the game. The fast-skating and relentless Avon team scored twice in the third, once at the 6 minute mark and again with 4 minutes to go. Cory Schneider was strong in goal for PA with 30 saves on 34 shots. Coach Boylan and Coach Guden left the ice very proud of their team's effort not only in this game, but throughout the year. As a team they continued to find ways to win. Even coming up two wins short of a championship, the coaches (and the fans!) were very, very proud of all the players.

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Hockey in March never looked so good. With a 2-0 win against archrival Exeter on Saturday and a huge 4-1 playoff triumph over Thayer on Wednesday, Andover completed its most glorious week of hockey in recent memory.

Saturday afternoon the Exeter Boys Hockey team, accompanied by several buses of fans, ventured to the Ted Harrison rink to take on the Boys in Blue.

The game started up in a dead even defensive battle. Then, with only 20.7 seconds left to play in the first period, Steve Russell '04 fed the puck to Mike Eruzione '04 from behind the net for an easy

one timer, giving Andover a 1-0 lead.

After a scoreless second and only four minutes into the third, freshman Joe Smith '07 took the puck coast to coast down the right flank, decked out his defender, and beat the Exeter net-minder short side. From there, up 2-0 with fourteen minutes left to play, the Big Blue played smart hockey and ate up the clock, enabling Andover to beat the hated Big Red for the second time this season.

Fresh off the exhilarating victory against Exeter, the Boys in Blue began the first round of the New England Prep School tournament at home in the Ted Harrison rink, taking on 21-4-3 Thayer Academy on Wednesday.

To some, a 4-1 score might suggest an Andover trouncing. However, this game was not a blowout by any means. Thayer, led by former PA student Pierce Norton '05 (who should be a soph-

omore in college), played equally with the Big Blue throughout the first period. Norton, who led a very quick skating Thayer offense, broke away several times, only to be denied by the Great Wall of Schneider.

The second period was much of the same, with more great play from Schneider. In the fifteenth minute of the period, however, things turned the Blue's way. Steve Rolecek '05, who was double-teamed, decked out one defender and passed the puck off to a wide-open Mike Foley '04 on the left. Foley fooled the goalie and scored, setting the crowd ablaze and putting Andover up 1-0.

Thayer retaliated with 16:16 left in the game with a snipe from the blue line to tie things up. From this point on, the Big Blue kicked their game into high gear. Foley lead the charge, seizing the lead back for the Blue with a backhanded shot off a pass from behind the

net. Thayer then pulled their goalie in dire need of a goal with just over a minute left in the game.

Mere seconds later, Foley broke away for the open Thayer net and drove home the first PA hat trick of the season. Then, to put icing on a playoff victory cake, Rolecek added an open net goal of

his own. The Big Blue ruled the ice as the clock hit triple zeros with the scoreboard reading 4-1, Andover.

The hockey boys will go on to play Avon Old Farms, who finished 24-1 in the regular season, in Salem New Hampshire on Saturday. To widen their already

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broad smiles, Andover also learned that Cushing, who absolutely demolished the Big Blue in the regular season, lost to Tabor 8-7 on Wednesday.

With the Penguins out of the way, the road to a championship is wide open; it's time for the Boys in Blue bring it home.



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The PA Hockey Team took home a pair of victories this week, knocking off Belmont Hill and the NMH Hogggers after losing an extra period battle with Tabor Academy.

Boys Hockey Takes Belmont Hill, NMH, Suffers OT Loss to Tabor

by Mac King

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Boys Hockey experienced another week with mixed results last week. Losing Friday 3-2 to Tabor Academy in overtime, then picking up 2-1 and 3-1 wins against Belmont Hill and NMH on

Monday and Wednesday respectively. The Boys in Blue now hold a still impressive record of 17-4-2.

Captain and net minder Cory Schneider '04 had another remarkable week in net, and freshman Joe Smith '07 who has been improving all season, scored three out of the six PA goals scored this week.

Friday evening the Andover team ventured to Tabor to take on the Seawolves in Travis Roy Ice Hockey Rink.

In the first period, the Big Blue got off to a sluggish start but thanks to Schneider's mastery in the net, the team entered the second period tied at zero and with Schneider having saved 17.

In the second period the Andover offense stepped it up a notch. Joe Smith '07 opened the scoring on a pass from Kyle Kucharski '05, to give Andover the 1-0 lead. Paul Engelhardt '06 followed Smith with a goal of his own. Unfortunately the Andover squad lost its intensity in the last couple minutes of the period and drew a penalty.

Tabor entered the third on a power play and scored a goal a mere 54 seconds into the period. The Seawolves continued their high level of play, and were able to score another goal on a scrum in front of the net, to tie things up, two minutes later.

Andover and Tabor battled it out for the rest of the period, but neither team was able to find the back of the net and the game was

then sent into overtime. Unfortunately, after saving 45 of 47 shots on the day and playing in his fifth game in eleven days, a tuckered out Cory Schneider let one get by him twenty-five seconds into the OT, to give Tabor the win.

After taking the weekend off, the Big Blue traveled to Belmont Hill Monday afternoon in a game with possible playoff implications for both teams. The first period with equal play from both teams, and upon entering the second the score remained tied at zero. The second period presented more of the same scoreless hockey, highlighted by Schneider stopping 17 shots.

Then with 10:19 left in the game Mike Foley '04 presented Steve Rolocek '05 with a beautiful feed, which Rolo transformed into the winning goal. At the tale end of the period, Belmont pulled their goalie and off a pass from Kyle Kucharski Rolo scored again, this time on an open net.

Andover won the game, with a final score of two to nothing, and Schneider, saving 37/37, racked up yet another shutout.

Wednesday afternoon the Big Blue traveled to NMH to take on the Hogggers. In their third game on the road in six days the Boys in Blue were able to secure a 2-0 overtime win. Both goals were scored by freshman Smith, who scored fifty-percent of the team's goals this week.

PA Boys Hockey Trumps Choate, Drops a Tight Game to Bridgton

by Mac King

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	5
Choate	2
Bridgton	3
Andover	2

This past week was one of ups and downs for the Andover Boys Hockey team. Having begun their season with an impressive 6-1 record before the New Year,



the Boys in blue came back from Christmas break anxious to show their peers just what they could accomplish. Defeating Choate Rosemary Hall 5-2 this past Saturday night and then losing in a heartbreaker to the entirely post graduate lineup of Bridgton 3-2 Wednesday afternoon the Andover team has bettered their record to a dominant 7-2.

Last Saturday night, in only the second home contest where students were on campus of the regular season, the Andover team put on a show in the Ted Harrison rink. Absolutely dominating the first period of the game, not allowing Choate into their zone until the third minute, PA looked to have the game well within their grasp.

John Paul Martignetti '06 scored the first goal of the game off a nice pass from freshman Joe Smith '07 to give Andover the early lead. Then Steven Rolecek '05 found the back of the net off an Artie Mittnacht '04 rebound in the fifteenth minute. With the Big Blue now leading two-nil, rock solid defense from net minder Cory Schneider '04 and defenseman Tommy Dignard '06 left Choate

scoreless and the Andover shutout intact heading into the second period.

Choate came out skating strong after the first period, and the whole intensity of the game was upped a notch. Play was so intense that punches were thrown and small scuffles broke out every couple blows of the whistle; at one point four players—two from each team—were in the box.

Finally, after seventeen minutes and four point seven seconds of second period play, Choate Rosemary Hall scored a somewhat garbage goal on a scrum in front of the net to reduce Andover's lead to one and leave Choate within ample striking distance of the comeback victory heading into the third period.

Early in the third period Martignetti scored his second goal of the game on an unassisted snipe off a face off to further cushion Andover's lead. Choate responded right away however, replying to Martignetti with a power play goal of their own. Four minutes later Rolecek sealed the deal by scoring an unassisted shorthanded goal putting Andover up by two with roughly four minutes left to play. Then Smith scored on an empty net in the last minute, giving Andover the 5-2 victory.

On Wednesday in sub zero temperatures outside die-hard fans clustered close together in the Ted Harrison ice hockey rink to watch their beloved blue take on Bridgton Academy ("the PG school"). From the moment the puck was first dropped it became clear that the game was going to be close and after a physical first period the game was scoreless with neither side dominating play.

The second period started

off much like the first: fairly even, with neither side particularly dominating. Then Bridgton struck first. In the fifth minute of the period on a cross from the right side of the ice a Bridgton forward deflected the puck off his body for a goal. PA responded with a two minute five on three offensive barrage of the Bridgton zone but were unable to score. Shortly after the power play, however, Smith let fly a well timed wrister that found the back of the net and tied the game at one. The Andover squad continued to shell the Bridgton goal for the remainder of the period, but the opposing net minder was too strong and the Big Blue entered the locker room after two tied at one.

Bridgton scored early in the period once again on a snipe from the blue line that went upper left. Mike Foley '04 responded with a one-timed goal on a nice pass from Kyle Kucharski '05 with only four-fifty-two left in the game on a power play to tie it up once more. Then as the intensity of the game continued to rise, with both teams fighting for that last goal that would secure them the win, with forty seconds left in the game Bridgton got a break away. On a one on one with Schneider the Choate forward let fly a wrist shot from the right side of the ice that snuck by Schneider and found the back of the net. Choate went on to win the contest.

The Boys in Blue's next game is away against the ever-hated Exeter on Saturday and their next home game will be against St. Sebastian's at six o'clock on Wednesday. Please come and show your support.

Hockey Beats Exeter

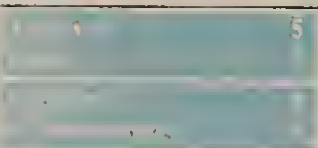


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Jed McDonald '04 shields the puck from two Bridgton defenders as he streaks towards the net. The Hockey team demolished Exeter 5-1 last Saturday in a huge early season game.

by Mac King

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With a heartbreaking loss to Bridgton Academy still fresh in their memories, the Andover Boys Hockey team entered the week anxious to rally. And rally they did.

Demolishing arch rival Phillips Academy Exeter 5-1 last Saturday night, and then battling it out in a single overtime 4-3 thriller with Saint Sebastians this past Wednesday, the Boys in Blue have improved their record to an impressive 9-2.

Last Saturday night, in the bowels of the concrete icebox that is the Exeter athletic facility, the Big Blue and the Big Red took to the ice in an Andover/Exeter Winter 2004 preview. Now, perhaps it was the hundreds of red screaming fans, or the unfamiliarity with the Exeter ice, but whatever it was, the Andover team struggled early. Exeter capitalized on Andover's sluggish start, scoring in the fourth minute of the period on a scrum in front of the net.

Realizing that they now had a game to play and encouraged by a small contingent of Andover fans in attendance, the Boys in Blue rallied quickly. Towards the end of the fifth minute, Left Wing Kyle Kucharski '05 was able to score off a rebound and tie the game at one. The period ended tied, and despite the equal score, the Exeter squad out shot the Andover team 14-4.

PA came back strong, however, in the second period. The Boys in Blue took the lead when Stephen Rolecek '05 capitalized off a Jed McDonald '04 rebound to put Andover up 2-1. From there on out, the Big Blue controlled the game, out-shooting their Exie foes 20-12 in the second period.

After a productive second period, the third period was simply more of the same: Andover domination. In the third minute of the period, Michael Foley '04, on a break away on the left side of the ice, deked left, then backhanded it top shelf to give PA the 3-1 lead. Foley came right back to score another, when with a mere 5:52 left to play in the game Exeter pulled their goalie, and on another Foley break-away he found the back of the net to further increase Andover's lead. Then to cap it off, as if a 4-1 lead was not enough, Kucharski broke away on an Exeter power play, deked out the goalie, and scored a shorthanded goal to end the game at an embarrassing 5-1.

The St. Sebastians game proved to be a different challenge. With both teams ranked highly in the New England Prep League poll, this was a highly anticipated game that could hurt or help either team's post-season hopes.

After seventeen minutes of fairly even transitional play, in the dwindling seconds of the first period, McDonald passed to Rolecek from the blue line and the upper was able to finish to give the Boys in Blue a commanding first period lead.

The second period proved to be significantly tougher, with St. Sebs controlling the puck. With Andover losing two players to penalties, St. Sebastians was handed a 5-3 power play situation and tied things up. Rolecek responded shortly after with a shorthanded goal, his second goal of the game, which sailed five-hole and reclaimed the PA lead. St. Sebs came right back, however, scoring two quick goals in the last five minutes of second period play, and upon entering the third period the Boys in Blue trailed by a goal.

The third period was a nail-biter. After seven minutes of fairly even scoreless play, John Paul Martignetti '06 took the puck coast to coast on a break away, deked right, then put it in to retie the game. After playing out the remaining eleven minutes of play in regulation time, with neither team able to find the back of the net, the game ran into sudden

death overtime.

The fans hushed silence, with 2:26 left in the first OT, Martignetti stole the puck from a Sebs forward backhanded it to Joe Smith '07, who promptly put the shot top shelf to give Andover the lead and their ninth win.

In both games team Captain and Goalie Cory Schneider '04 was a force to be reckoned with, but especially so against St. Sebastians. Cory made glove saves, kick saves, and stick saves all game and kept his boys in blue in it until the very end.



BOYS HOCKEY

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Boys Hockey hustles hard in a tough week, beating Brewster 2-0 and tying Nobles and Thayer. See page 12 for coverage.



PA BOYS HOCKEY

ICES BREWSTER

by Mac King
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	2
Thayer	2
Andover	2
Nobles	2
Andover	2
Brewster	0

This past week the Boys Hockey team rumbled forward, picking up a pair of 2-2 single-overtime ties to Thayer and Nobles and a clutch 2-0 shutout victory over Brewster Academy. The team's success over the past week is due largely in part to tremendous play from Andover goalie and team Captain Cory Schneider '04. Schneider stopped over 115 shots and only let in four goals in 172 minutes of hockey. The Big Blue, on a 5 game streak of wins and sties, has bettered their record to 10-2-2.

Last Friday, an injury-plagued Andover Hockey team traveled to the Canton Sportsplex at Thayer Academy to take on the 16-1-0 Tigers. Missing forwards Kyle Kucharski '05 and Mike Eruzione '04 and defenseman Tommy Dignard '06, the Andover team hoped to be able to deal Thayer their second loss of the season.

JP Martignetti '06 put the Big Blue on the board when he scored off a pass from PG Jed McDonald '04 a mere minute-seventeen into the first period. Thayer responded with a goal of its own right before the buzzer, and the game entered the second period tied at one.

Upper scoring sensation Steve Rolocek '05 secured the Andover lead once more in the second period by scoring an unassisted short-handed goal at just about the ten minute mark.

The Big Blue was able to hold off the Thayer barrage and retain the lead, until the dwindling minutes of the third period when Nobles snuck one by Schneider. After a closely contested overtime, neither team was able to find the back of the net, and the game ended tied 2-2. Cory Schneider led the Andover team with 46 saves and helped to keep the Boys in Blue in the game.

Less than twenty hours later, the Big Blue were back on the ice, this time at home, getting ready to face Nobles and Greenough in what promised to be a closely contested match-up.

Nobles struck first on a turnover in the Andover end and took the early lead. Andover, however, bounced right back when McDonald took it coast to coast, deked out the goalie, and scored a goal with one minute left in the first period.

Andover played better in the second period, and Paul Engelhardt '06 was able to capitalize on a pass from Hunter Thunnell

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Boys Hockey went 1-0-2, defeating Brewster and skating to a pair of 2-2 ties with Nobles and Thayer Academy.

Blue Boys Hockey Ties Thayer, Nobles, Knocks Down Brewster

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'06 and score a power-play goal. This gave Andover the 2-1 lead entering the final period; optimism soared.

Late in the third Nobles scored a somewhat garbage goal on a scrum in front of the net and tied the game. The Boys in Blue bombarded Nobles' keeper for the few remaining minutes in the period, but were unable to score and the game went to OT. This was the third game in four days that had gone to overtime for the Andover squad.

Nobles dominated the overtime period, while the tuckered out Blue skaters did all they could to stay in the game. But the Andover defense held strong and the game ended in a 2-2 tie. Schneider had

another outstanding performance, in which he stopped 54 of 56 shots, and helped the Big Blue to accumulate a tie.

Four days later, on Harrison ice, in the first game of the season where the entire team was healthy, the Andover team took on Brewster Academy.

Kyle Kucharski '05, who played solid throughout the game, began the scoring when after a good string of passes, he put the puck top shelf, giving Andover the 1-0 lead. By the end of the first period, while the 1-0 score may not have justly reflected it, it was clear to those in attendance that the Andover team was controlling the game.

Andover scored their second goal in the second period, when after five consecutively completed

passes (without Nobles once touching the puck), Rolocek, on a pass from Mike Foley '04, scored to give Andover the two nothing lead.

The rest of the game was controlled by Andover, and the Boys in Blue ended the game with a 2-0 win.

Defensemen Mike McMahon '06 and Dignard, in his first game back since bruising his MCL, played extremely solid games, giving the Andover offense large periods of time in the Nobles end.

Left wing Kyle Kucharski '05 said of the teams play over the past week: "Cory really helped to keep us in it, without him a couple of those ties might have been losses. But nonetheless the team is playing really well together, and everyone is pulling their weight."

BOYS HOCKEY TRUMPS BB&N, KIMBALL UNION

SCHNEIDER '04 STARS

Andover Takes Care of Business, Improving to 14-2-2

by Mac King

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	7
BB&N	1
Andover	7
KUA	1

The Big Blue Blue Boys Hockey team extended their undefeated streak to nine games this past week, routing BB&N 7-1 Saturday afternoon and trouncing KUA 7-1 Wednesday evening. While KUA and BBN may be somewhat lackluster teams, the Andover Boys Varsity Hockey team nevertheless played a week of extremely strong hockey.

Over the nine game win streak the Andover squad has outscored its opponents 36-11, and team captain and goalie Cory Schneider '04 has pulled out two shutouts. The Boys in Blue simply keep on winning, and with an outstanding 14-2-2 record for the season, the team is excited to challenge the talented Cushing Penguins.

The team got right to work, scoring goals within the first couple minutes they hit the Nicholas Athletic Center ice Saturday afternoon. With goals coming from Mike Foley '04, Kyle Kucharski '05, Stephen Rolecek '05, and Jed McDonald '04 the Andover team was able to secure themselves a substantial lead very early in the game, and by the end of the first period

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Andover Boys Hockey slipped against powerhouse Cushing on Wednesday Afternoon after beating Winchendon.

Cushing Purple Penguins Snap Boys Hockey Winning Streak

by Mac King

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	5
Winchendon	2
Cushing	6
Andover	1

All good things must come to an end; we just hoped that the Andover Hockey Team's winning streak wasn't one of them. After extending the streak to ten games with a 5-2 win over Winchendon on Friday, the Boys in Blue went down in a tough 6-1 loss to undefeated, first place Cushing in the Harrison Rink last Wednesday. However, even after the crushing loss, the team still owns an impressive 15-3-2 regular season record and, with three games left to play, a strong shot at the playoffs.

Winchendon arrived at the Ted Harrison rink Friday afternoon to find a confident Andover squad; perhaps a little too confident. After almost a period of rather sloppy, scoreless hockey, Winchendon snuck one past a stickless Cory Schneider '04 on a scrum in front of the net. The period ended 1-0 in favor of the division two Winchendon.

Despite the deficit, the Big Blue bounced back, scoring three goals in the second period. Kyle Kucharski '05 put PA on the board for the third game in a row when he one timed a pass from Jed McDonald '04 to tie the game. Steve Rolecek '05 took care of the rest of the scoring, tallying two goals mere minutes apart on his birthday to put Andover up 3-1.

The Boys in Blue carried their superior play into the final period, racking up another two goals. Ben

Weiner '06 earned his second variety goal early in the third, slamming home a rebound to extend Andover's lead to three. Less than a minute later, Mike Foley '04, no stranger to scoring goals, sniped one from a face off in front of the Winchendon net. From there, tensions ran high as the game dissolved into heated, scrappy play. Two men down, the Andover team gave up one final goal with only a few minutes left, ending the game 5-2 in favor of the mighty blue. Schneider stopped twenty-two of twenty-four shots while Andover hurled forty-four at the Winchendon net-minder.

At three-fifteen on Wednesday afternoon the Cushing Penguins came to Ted Harrison rink with fire in their eyes. Boasting an undefeated record, seven division one college hockey prospects, Ray Bourque as an assistant coach, and his son as captain (little Bourque was injured Wednesday and didn't play), the game against the Penguins had all kinds of hype.

The first period began fairly evenly with both teams finding a few opportunities. Then, with a minute fifty-four left in the period, Cushing scored on a one time from the point, drawing first blood for the Penguins. The period ended 1-0 Cushing.

After a close beginning, Cushing busted the game open in the second, scoring five goals to put the Blue on ice. Left wing Kyle Kucharski said of Andover's play: "It's a bummer, this is a team we could have beat. We simply played very poorly in the final two periods."

Andover stepped up their play in the final period, but it was still

not enough to counter the unrelenting Cushing barrage. Cushing wracked up yet another goal with 16:06 left to play in the game when a Penguin forward capitalized on a break away to give Cushing the 6-0 lead.

Tommy Dignard '06 provided the smallest glimmer of hope for the Blue when he scored, top shelf, with 5:45 left to play. When the final horn sounded, the scoreboard read a discouraging result, 6-1 Penguins.

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The Phillips Academy Boys Hockey team celebrates an exhilarating victory over Deerfield Academy on Wednesday.



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The Andover Boys Hockey team had a great week of hockey, winning games with KUA and BB&N in identical 7-1 fashion. The team is now 14-2-2 on the season.

Boys Hockey Dominates KUA, Buckingham, Brown & Nichols

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they led BB&N 4-0.

A mere minute into the second period, Foley scored again, this time shorthanded on a pass from Kucharski. With two goals in only a little over a period of play, Foley was on his way to his hat trick, which he captured a mere three minutes later on a pass from Rolecek and pushed the Big Blue lead to six.

With eight minutes left to play in the second period, Matt Ward '06 replaced Schneider in goal, and while he made several impressive saves, he let one get by him to give BB&N what was to be their only goal in the game.

The Big Blue dominated once more in the third, denying BB&N a second goal and scoring one more to give PA a 7-1 lead. Kucharski and Foley with two goals and three goals, respectively were the leading scorers on the day, while Joe Smith '07 and Steve Russell '04 had three assists apiece.

Kyle Kucharski said after Wednesday's game "It always feels good to win by landslide. This was just one of those games where the opponent wasn't very good and at the same time we were playing extremely well together. I only hope we can play well against Cushing next Wednesday."

From the moment the Big Blue took the Harrison ice Wednesday afternoon against KUA, it became clear they would dominate the game. For the second game in a row Kucharski began the scoring, this time with a little wrist shot that went top shelf with 13:10 left to play in the first. Rolecek followed Kucharski two minutes later with another goal, putting the Andover team up 2-0 going into the second period.

Kimball Union came onto the ice in the second period determined to score a goal. With 12:52 left to play in the second, KUA was able to sneak one past Schneider on a scrum in front of the net. Russell responded two minutes later with a wrap around goal of his own, giving Andover back its two-goal lead. Freshman Smith followed Russell with another, and Ben Weiner '06 scored his first goal of his varsity career with 1:35 left in the second to put the mighty Blue up 5-1 entering the third.

Andover dominated the third in the same fashion they had dominated the rest of the game. Right away Foley took it coast to coast, faking out three defenders, and finishing with a deke of the goalie. Artie Mittnacht '04 followed with his first varsity goal. The game ended a blowout.



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Cory Schneider '04 sprawls to make a save in Wednesday's 2-0 win over Deerfield Academy. Schneider allowed only one goal in two games this week, leading Andover to two decisive victories.

Hockey Ices Deerfield

by Mac King
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	5
Loomis	1
Andover	2
Deerfield	0

The Boys Hockey team simply continues to win. Undefeated in their last seven contests and boasting a 12-2-2 record, the Boys in Blue are making a significant bid for the playoffs. This past week the Andover team dominated Loomis 5-1 and then shutout Deerfield in a 2-0 defensive nailbiter. The Big Blue out-shot their opponents 7-1 this past week and is now ranked ninth on the New England prep poll.

Last Saturday afternoon the Boys in Blue traveled the two hours to Loomis Chafee's Savage/Johnson Rink to take on the 3-8-1 Pelicans. Sophomore goalie Matt Ward '06 started in net for the Andover squad, getting only his second start of the season.

The Big Blue absolutely dominated the first period, holding Loomis to a pathetic three shots. PA took the lead when Kyle Kucharski '05 scored off an assist from Mike Foley '04 and Steve Rolecek '05 at the end

of the first period.

Andover continued their superior level of play throughout the second period. Once again limiting the Pelicans to less than six shots, the Boys in Blue racked up another two goals themselves. Kucharski found the back of the net for the second time on the day on a pass from Joe Smith '07. Shortly after, defenseman Jed McDonald '04 scored from Paul Engelhardt '06 and Matt Fram '04, allowing the Big Blue to enter the third period leading by three, with Ward's shutout intact.

After two periods of solid play, in which Loomis was allowed only eight total shots, the Big Blue failed to keep up their momentum in the third period. Despite scoring two goals (Rolo unassisted and Ben Ernst '04 from Kucharski), the Andover team surrendered thirteen shots, more than the first two periods combined, and allowed the Pelicans to score a goal. Ward played well, however, and at the end of the game he had racked up twenty-four saves.

Left wing Kucharski said of his two-goal performance against Loomis, "The whole team played really well, it was an amazing team effort. Matt

Ward did a great job in net, having not played much this season."

After demolishing Loomis, the Big Blue went on to play Deerfield. Knowing that Deerfield was a significantly more challenging opponent than Loomis, the Andover team knew that if they wanted to win, they would need to play better in the third period than they had in the game past.

Wednesday afternoon in the Ted Harrison rink after two periods of scoreless hockey, in which net minder and team captain Cory Schneider '04 had been impenetrable, Rolecek broke away with just under six minutes left to play in the game and passed to Tom Dignard '06 who let fly a shot that went top shelf, giving Andover the 1-0 lead. The Andover team took a defensive stance for the remaining six minutes, and with four seconds left to play Dignard took the puck again and scored an unassisted open-net goal from beyond the blue line, ending the game 2-0 in Andover's favor to give Cory Schneider's fourth shutout of the season.

Commenting on the team's play this week, center JP Martignetti '06, who was sidelined due to injury, said, "The team is playing some of the best

hockey we've played all season. Beating Deerfield Wednesday was huge for us, I only wish I could have stepped in and contributed to our victory."

SPORT: Nordic Skiing
YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: _____
HOME TOWN: _____

MANAGER(S): _____

HOME TOWN(S) _____

COACH: Deborah Carlisle

ASSISTANT COACH(S): Keith Robinson

SEASON RECORD

WIN__ LOST__ TIED__







**PHILLIPS ACADEMY
NORDIC SKIING
2003-2004**

NAME	YR	HOMETOWN
Allenby, Kendra	2005	Annandale, NJ
Anderson, Emily	2007	Dracut, MA
Blackwood, Maria	2006	New Haven, CT
Brewer, Cage	2006	Beaufort, CA
Brewer, Robert	2007	Beaufort, SC
Broccoli, Morgan	2007	Andover, MA
Burkitbayeva, Dina	2006	Almaty, KAZ
Canaday, Miles	2005	Cos Cob, CT
Desaulniers, Genevieve	2004	Rockland, ME
Elder, James	2007	Colorado Springs, Co
Fitzmaurice, Helen	2005	Billerica, MA
Foley, Katelyn	2005	Richmond, KY
Folkman, Katherine	2004	Redding, CT
Gabel, Daniel	2006	Lodi, CA
Green, Travis	2004	West Palm Beach, FL
Ho, Anna	2006	Vancouver, CAN
King, Abigail	2007	Bainbridge Island, WA
Lewis, Ashley	2004	Atkinson, NH
Mendez Hodes, Maria	2007	New York, NY
Mui, Wesley	2006	Midlevels, HON
Pougner, Charlotte	2005	Valdosta, GA
Schmertzler, Ian	2005	Andover, MA
Schuster, Jessica	2005	Brookville, NY
Silverstein, Scott	2004	Andover, MA
Sobelson, Morissa	2005	Concord, NH
Steinhardt, Charlotte	2005	Boulder, CO
Sullivan, Margaret	2004	Andover, MA

**COACH: DEBORAH CARLISLE
ASST. COACH: KEITH ROBINSON**

DATE OF CONTEST: 1 - 7 - 04

OPPONENT: Groctor

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-14-04

OPPONENT: Cardigan

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-21-04

OPPONENT: St Paul's

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-24-04

OPPONENT: N/m H. / Cardigan / SPS

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-28-04

OPPONENT: Vermont Academy

WHERE PLAYED away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: _____ 2-4-04

OPPONENT: _____ Holderness

WHERE PLAYED _____ away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-11-04

OPPONENT: Putney

WHERE PLAYED away

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Andover Nordic Set to Win

by Dawson Gage
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

At least one group of Andover students was thrilled with the recent snowfall. Gliding across the vast fields of Siberia, those cheerful athletes are the members of the 2004 Phillips Academy Nordic Ski team. The squad is practicing diligently for their upcoming season against the fiercest competition the New England Prep league has to offer.

Though the season has hardly begun to shape up, the team spent the end of fall term running to get in shape for winter skiing. This year holds a great deal of promise for Big Blue, with strong rosters for both the boys and girls ski squads.

The greatest difference between the team that will line-up in 2004 for Andover and last year's edition is size. The number of members on the team has nearly doubled from last year. Said Captain Scott Silverstein '04 of his team, "Last year, only a few people came out for the team. This year we have nearly all our old racers back plus new prospects."

Silverstein, Travis Green '04 and Miles Canaday '05 form the core of the boys' team, with Cage Brewer '06, Daniel Gabel '06, and Julian Anderson '06 rounding out the boys' racers.

Coach Keith Robinson, like

his captain, is very pleased with the new members joining the team. Robinson said, "The boys' team has unprecedented depth, which should make for a successful year."

The Girls Varsity Nordic Team is led by the trio of Kendra Allenby '05, April Warren '04, and Helen Fitzmaurice '05. They, along with Genevieve Desaulniers '04, are all experienced racers.

"We have an amazing team, with great talent, and most importantly, tons of team spirit," said Desaulniers.

Girls Coach Deborah Carlisle has high hopes for her skiers this year. "We have all but one of our racers from last year back," she said. "We also have some new faces who show a lot of potential."

Both the players and coaches look forward to the team's first race this week at Proctor. With a team as solid as this year's, Big Blue should make a strong showing to begin the 2004 Nordic Ski Season.





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Phillips Academy Nordic Races at St. Paul's School, Boasting a Stronger, Bigger Team Than in Years Past

by Dawson Gage
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Nordic got off on the right ski to start the 2004 season.



The Nordic team had an excellent race this past Wednesday at St. Paul's

School in Concord, New Hampshire.

Under the leadership of returning Coach Deborah Carlisle, team members have been working toward improving both technique and stamina while practicing this season.

Assistant Coach Keith Robinson has also worked with skiers to help them develop these invaluable skills.

All of the hard work that Andover Nordic has put in certainly paid off at the race, in which the team performed very well.

"We had an excellent race", said Travis Green '04. "It's great to see that both the guys' girls' racing teams have expanded."

The expansion of the Nordic team has been impressive, as this year they have almost doubled in size from last year's membership.

The team now has over 30 skiers, which Ms. Carlisle has separated into two groups – a development team and Varsity squad.

Due to the unprecedented

growth of the team this season, the skiers have been privileged to add several new members to the racing squad, one of which is Jim Elder '07.

The St. Paul's race was Elder's first, which he tackled with an outstanding performance. On the way to the race, he admitted to feeling "a little nervous, but excited to be part of the team."

The race was also a first for Charlotte Pougner '05 and Katie Folkman '04, both new members of the Varsity squad. Their performance was fantastic, especially considering the fact that they are new to the racing team.

The conditions were great for a race. It was about 30 degrees outside with little wind, so it was not too cold on the course, which was expertly groomed by St. Paul's snow mobile crews.

Total track length for the race was about 5 kilometers, which is about the standard for most skate races.

The course was certainly a challenge, for it contained several steep climbs, including a particularly daunting downhill with a sharp turn at the bottom.

The group that organizes the competitions always alternates starting times for the boys and girls races; this time the girls started first. For this reason, the boys were able to leave campus a little later, showing up to St. Paul's around 2:15, just in time to catch the beginning of the girls' race.



M. Sullivan/ *The Phillipian*

Andover Nordic, both the Boys and Girls teams, showed off their stuff at an early season race at St. Paul's School in Concord, New Hampshire.

Andover entered a large number of skiers into the race, in which everyone did very well. Both coaches were proud with the teams' performance on the snow.

After the race, Coach Carlisle decided to take the squad for a few more runs down the steep hill so that people

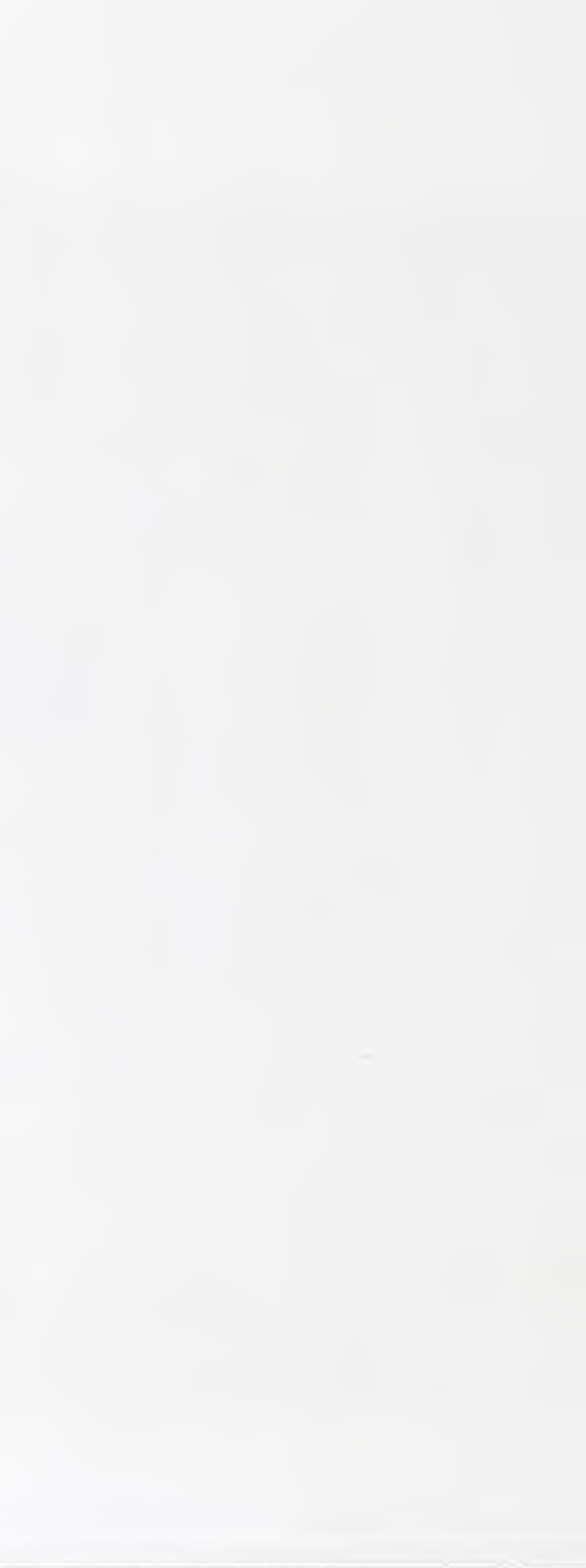
could practice their downhill skiing and cornering techniques.

This exercise was followed by a short cool-down, after which the team loaded back into the rally wagons and embarked on the hour-long trip back to campus.

Another race is planned for this upcoming Saturday at

Northfield Mount Hermon, and Carlisle is planning to have the team attend.

It promises to be difficult, as the course is 7 kilometers long, making it 2 kilometers longer than that of the Wednesday race. However, the coaches are confident that the squad is ready to take on the challenge.





C. Brewer/ *The Phillipian*

Meg Sullivan '04 competes at NMH this past weekend for the Andover Girls Nordic team.

Girls Nordic Skis to Second

by Cage Brewer
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Andover Varsity Nordic team has had the hardest two weeks of the season. This past Saturday, the Andover Nordic Team traveled to NMH for what would be the longest race of the year. Most courses run a single loop, but the crew at NMH decided to hold the race out in the fields, creating a 1.2 K loop that meandered across the icy snow-fields in a clearing beside the school. The boys were to complete six laps, for a grand total of 7.2K, while the girls needed to complete five, for a total of 6K.

The race had a relatively small turnout, with only about 40 skiers competing. At the boys' race, Captain Scott Silverstein '04 was one of the first skiers to shoot through the starting blocks, followed closely by Travis Green '04. Both Green and Captain Silverstein got off to a strong start, leading the pack all the way to the end, where they finished in 7th and 6th place, respectively.

Captain Silverstein felt that the race was shorter than he had expected, but he admitted that it was hard to pace himself given he wasn't very familiar with the 7.2 K distance. "I think I could have placed higher," he said, "if I'd allotted my energy more effectively." The rest of the Andover Boys finished one after another, taking 11th – 14th places and giving the Blue an overall score of 34. Miles Canaday '05 came in at the head of the pack, followed by newcomer Jim Elder '07. In the end, the boys were beaten out of 1st and 2nd by St. Paul's and NMH, pushing the Blue into 3rd place.

The girls fared better than the boys, finishing 2nd overall and only a point behind NMH. Meg Sullivan '04 and Kendra Allenby '05 both had amazing performances, securing 2nd and 3rd place within 5 seconds of one another. Their times were 25:50 and 25:55, respectively. Not far behind was Helen Fitzmaurice '05. After getting off to a rough start, Helen quickly regained composure and blew past the competition for a 6th place finish.

The Nordic Team performed well at Holderness this past Wednesday under sunny skies and in relatively warm weather. The course was challenging, full of sharp turns and steep uphill climbs, but nothing the team could not handle. Captain Scott Silverstein '04 contributed this success to the conditions at hand, saying that "One advantage to the course was that the snow tended to be a bit softer, more like that which the team is used to practicing on, and thus many of our less experienced racers did better than they have in the past – some having their best races ever."

The course boasted some impressive uphill sections. Luckily, the team arrived prepared, having worked on uphill ski climbs for the previous week.

Jim Elder '07 pretty much summed up everyone's thoughts on the hills, "They were really tough at times," he said, "but I managed." Nonetheless, the Blue met the challenge head on, with much of the team whipping past their competition.

Blue Nordic Ski Squad Races At Putney School Invitational

by Cage Brewer
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Nordic team trekked all the way to Vermont for Wednesday's race at the Putney School. Taking 11 skiers (5 boys, 6 girls), the Blue performed well at what would be the first "classic" race of the season.

Travis Green '04 gave a quick review of the race, saying, "The course was, in essence, a long downhill, followed by a long uphill that ends at the finish line." Parts of the race proved to be a little treacherous. As Kendra Allenby '05 described, "I felt like I was going to fall off the mountain." Yet overall, everyone seemed to enjoy the course, with the exception of a difficult stretch toward the end.

Meg Sullivan '04 spoke for the whole team, saying, "The first part of the race was awesome, but the long uphill was killer."

Gen Desaulniers '04 summed up the conditions, saying, "It was a gorgeous day, sunny, and not too cold, but the wind was insane – it kept blowing my poles around, which made for an interesting race." The snow had iced over due to recent weather, and skis needed to be prepped using a special technique called "klistering" to ensure that the wax on the bottoms would stick well enough to the slick surface. Using a blowtorch, skiers melted a special wax onto the base of their skis that was stickier than type they usually use.

According to Captain Scott Silverstein '04, "The waxing job turned out to be a big help for

some skiers, and a big problem for others." Depending on the amount used, some skis stuck to the surface a bit too much, causing glide problems for some skiers.

Several of the new team members have showed great progress this season. Abby King '07 was invited to race with the squad this past Wednesday, participating in her first race of the season. Despite the harsh conditions and first-time jitters, King pulled off a remarkable performance. With a time of 29:34, King placed third among the Andover girls, followed by Helen

Fitzmaurice '05, Gen Desaulniers '04, and Charlotte Pougner '05. When asked to comment on her outstanding showing at Putney, King simply said "Racing is so much fun!" The Nordic team sees strong promise in skiers like Abby and will expect more from her for seasons to come.

With NEPSACS drawing near, the Nordic season is quickly coming to a close. NEPSACS, the final racing competition of the year, is an all day event to be held next Wednesday at Kimball Union Academy.



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Frosh skier Abby King '07 powers through her race. King finished third on the Lady Blue with a 29:34 clocking.

Andover Nordic Races New England Prep Interschols Held at Kimball Union Academy

by Cage Brewer
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Early Wednesday morning marked the beginning of the end for the Nordic Team, as we loaded up before sunrise for a two-plus hour trek to Interschols at Kimball Union Academy. The first race began at 9:45, yet the early start did not faze the Blue squad, as most of us got plenty of sleep on the van ride to KUA. As for the weather, it was nearly perfect by Nordic standards: blue skies and freshly packed powder.

The night before the race, Coach Debby Carlisle made sure to give the racers an overview of what they could expect. For the freestyle course, Coach Carlisle warned the skiers to pace themselves on the long uphill, and to be aware that "The final descent is very fast, but not tricky. I have not been able to measure the course directly," she said, "but it

is about 6.5 km." For racers participating in the relay, she gave a similar synopsis. "You start on a field, ski a slightly longer flat section, then head into the woods. I am guessing this is between 2.5 and 3 kilometers." The coach's words were helpful, as knowing what to expect out on the snow always gets racers better prepared.

Miles Canaday '05 said before his race, "This should prove to be a tough course, but the team trained hard this season, and I think we'll be up to the challenge." The girls were first up at the starting blocks, followed by the boys at 11:00. Seeing that the course was 6.5K, it would be the second longest race of the year, and the longest classic one.

However, this only seemed fitting for this paramount competition.

For Meg Sullivan '04 and Kendra Allenby '05, all that hard work paid off in the race. For the entire season, both have been locked in a rivalry with two skiers from NMH. In past races, NMH has been able to inch ahead of the Lady Blue, beating them out by a few points every time – but not at KUA. Both Allenby and Sullivan destroyed their respective Northfield opponents, and their efforts pushed the Andover girls ahead on the scoreboard. When the news came in that Sullivan had beaten her longtime rival Jenny Richards, both Coach Carlisle and Assistant Coach Keith Robinson '96 were ecstatic. She had destroyed her competi-

tion, beating Richards by 44 seconds to finish with the exceptional time of 23 minutes flat.

The boys performed well, each racer came in with a respectable time. The course and competition were tough, and the long uphill at the beginning slowed down the times. Nonetheless, everyone finished strong, and the Blue had a good showing.

Captain Scott Silverstein '04 said "I think everyone did very well, some having their best races of season. Having time to ski the course beforehand was valuable. For those who went skiing in Waterville valley over the weekend, I feel that they really benefited from the terrain work we did."

SPORT: Squash Rays
YEAR: 2003 - 2004

CAPTAIN: _____
HOME TOWN: _____

MANAGER(S): _____

HOME TOWN(S) _____

COACH: Tom Cone

ASSISTANT COACH(S): Victoria Van Stekelenburg

SEASON RECORD

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PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Andover, Massachusetts
Squash– Varsity
2003-2004

BOYS

COACH: TOM CONE

MANAGER: VICTORIA VAN STEKELENBURG

NAME	YR	HOMETOWN
de Svastich, Derek	2006	Saddle River, NJ
Feldmann, Gregory	2005	Wellesley, MA
Goldstein, Henry	2005	Chicago, MA
Lepke, Kirk	2004	North Andover, MA
Morse, David	2004	San Ramon, CA
Beck, Elliot	2005	Acton, MA
Manice, Henry	2005	Dover, MA
Wagman, Daniel	2006	Beverly Hills, CA
Park, Jason	2005	Seoul, KOR

GIRLS

COACH: TOM HODGESON

NAME	YR	HOMETOWN
Gossard, JeanMarie	2005	Andover, MA
Grace, Diana	2005	Locust Valley, NY
MacMillan, Charlotte	2005	Andover, MA
Myers, Anne	2004	Brooklyn, NY
Washburn, Skylar	2005	Andover, MA
Watson, Emily	2004	Rocky Mount, NC
Ruccolo, Cara	2005	Lynnfield, MA
Harmeling, Rachel	2004	North Reading, MA
Jiramongkolchai, Pawina	2006	Woodland Hills, CA



Andover Boys Squash Trumps Loomis Chaffee, Led by Wagman

by Dave Morse
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
Loomis	2

It was another successful set of matches for the Andover Boys Squash team, who added yet another victory to their record. Last Wednesday, the boys squared up against Loomis Chaffee, winning with a score of 5-2. It was the first time ever that Andover had played against Loomis, and the Andover Boys Squash team had little idea of what to expect. With no knowledge of their opponent, the Big Blue was able to adapt to the Loomis players to come in with the win.

Unfortunately, second seeded Derek de Svastich '06 came down with a severe stomach bug the night before the match and concurrently suffered from a pulled calf muscle. In no condition to play, de Svastich had to gracefully step aside to let team-

mate Dan Wagman '06 fill his number two spot. Every player on the varsity ladder had to shift up one spot to compensate. Even at this distinct disadvantage, Andover still managed to end victoriously.

Top seeded Elliot Beck '05 paired off with a particularly strong opponent. Beck's scrappy and swift play was not enough to oust his lanky challenger, losing in three fast paced games. Normally Beck is a relentless runner on court, but he was unable to keep up with his Loomis opponent on the court.

Both Wagman and Dave Morse '04 were able to pull off quick wins against their Loomis rivals. These wins added to the lead and helped the increasing PA score.

Harry Goldstein '05 experienced difficulty in his match, and lost in three games. Goldstein was unable to break into the game mentally, leaving more to be desired in his shot selection. His opponent had thus far been undefeated in the season. Goldstein added, "The match went so quickly that I

didn't have much time to reflect on how I could change my game during the match. It was an off day for me. Next time I'll have everything under control."

Kirk Lepke '04 had a tough time with his match up. He lost the first game, but fought back to win three straight games, winning his match 3-1.

Henry Manice '05 made an impressive showing, moving up two whole spots on the ladder, having won his challenge match the day before and because of de Svastich's absence. His 3-2 win shows he will be a valuable asset to the team later in the season and in next years season.

Greg Feldmann '05 had an easy time of his Loomis opponent, making quick work to a 3-0 win and helping to secure a PA victory.

Beck said afterwards, "Loomis this year has the strongest team they have ever had. Despite being worried at first that Derek was not playing, everyone on the team stepped their play up a notch and closed the gap."



PA Boys Squash Bested By Westminster, Choate, Exeter

by Dave Morse
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

This past Saturday the boy's squash team made the long haul to Westminster, CT. A double header against Westminster and Choate was scheduled at the brand new Westminster facility. Sickness and injury plagued the team in the days preceding, and it was apparent during the boys' warm-up that all was not well on the squash courts.

In the first match up against Westminster, Elliot Beck '05 fought through injured quadriceps and a large blister on the ball of his foot to win the match in three games. Derek de Svastich '06, despite his back problems, also finished the first match with three straight wins. To follow suite were Dan Wagman '06 and captain Dave Morse '04, both warding off sickness at the time. Each secured three game wins.

Harry Goldstein '05 managed to break through and win his match 3-1. Henry Manice '05 struggled with his crafty opponent but won in four games. Kirk Lepke '04 won his match in four games, as did Greg Feldmann '05.

Soon after the Westminster match, Andover boys got on court with the Choate Hoggens, a team they had beaten 6-1 earlier in the season. The Choate players were on the mark. Fatigue and pain set in on the boys in blue.

Beck had to modify his style of play to compensate for his leg and foot injuries. He was able to stay in the match for a full five games, but in the end lost 2-3. De Svastich lost to his opponent in five long games, struggling a little in the match to keep his game mentality. "Last time we met with Choate, I played Derek's oppo-

nent and beat him. Something must've been distracting his. He wasn't playing his usual shots," explained Wagman afterwards.

Wagman also went on to lose his match in four games. A tired and sickened Morse labored through four games to win his match. Goldstein also won his match in four games.

Manice, who recently moved up from the #7 spot, had an unpleasant introduction to his new seeding and lost his second match as #6 in four games.

On Wednesday, the Andover squad ventured over to Exeter, NH, to do battle with the Big Red. Though rivals, the Phillips squash teams have excellent rapport with one another, and the matches take on a pleasurable atmosphere.

Beck played well in his match, but still plagued by a foot injury, he lost to powerhouse Anthony Maruca '04 in four games. De Svastich shot freely and well during his match, leading to a win in five long games (his second five game match of the week). Wagman played young Mark Maruca '07, winning in four. Morse pressured his opponent Harvey Lederman '04 with accurate shooting and plenty of pressure from volleys, winning in four games.

Manice moved up from the #6 spot to #5 earlier in the week, placing him against a more experienced Eric Staley '04. Despite his strong showing at the demanding #5 spot, Manice lost his match in three games. Goldstein, down a spot from last week at #6, had no trouble defeating his Exeter rival in three games. Rounding off the varsity ladder were Lepke and Feldmann, both winning in three short games.

PA Squash Rides Through Brooks, Bows to Belmont

by Dave Morse
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Last Saturday, PA Squash enjoyed back-to-back home games. Both Brooks and Middlesex made the trek to Andover, only to fall to the mighty Blue. The visiting teams do not normally put on a good show, so PA looked to do some crowd pleasing.

Middlesex was up first on the program. Elliot Beck '05 had a surprisingly strong opponent, North Whipple, who shot and retrieved shots well. Beck fell in three games, tallying the only loss against Middlesex that day.

At #2, Derek de Svastich '06 had a strong showing of racquet skill and shot selection, allowing him to win his match in three games.

With Dan Wagman '06 away for the weekend, Captain Dave Morse '04 filled in the #3 spot. Morse, despite his quick movement around the court, could not produce winning shots outright, and had to fight his way through five games. Morse eventually won 3-2. Henry Manice '05 also fared well at his #5 position. His excellent reach allowed him to pressure his opponent, forcing errors left and right. Manice also showed thoughtful shot selection during his 3-0 win against Middlesex. Harry Goldstein '05 was pitted against a relentless retriever. Goldstein labored through four games, ending with a 3-1 win. Kirk Lepke '04 won his match in three quick games, attributing his victory to "lots of sleep, and a good breakfast."

Greg Feldmann '05 also won in three, showing his improved stroke and retrieval from the back corners.

Immediately following the Middlesex matches, Andover squared up with neighbor Brooks. Again, Beck had trouble with his opponent, losing in four games. De Svastich controlled the court in his match. A small lapse in the third game allowed his Brooks opponent to steal a game, but de Svastich came back

to win 3-1. Morse, tired from his previous five-game marathon, chose to slow the pace of his match with ample lobbing, coupled with opportunistic shooting. The strategy worked, and he won his match 3-0. Manice added to his previous outstanding play by adding sharp shooting to his already controlling volleys. His dominance on court allowed him to win 3-0 for the second time that day. Both Lepke and Feldmann outlasted their opponents to win 3-0, making the total score against Brooks 6 matches to 1, a resounding victory.

This past Wednesday held a big opportunity for the Andover squash team. Belmont Hill stopped by for some hotly contested battles. Last year, Andover lost to Belmont Hill in a nail biting contest, ending 3 matches to 4. The boys in blue hoped to take revenge with a possible upset as Belmont hill is reputed as one of the top ranked schools in the league.

Belmont Hill had the exact same lineup as last year, boasting all returning players, three of which were highly ranked nationally. Elliot Beck made a strong showing, despite his 3-0 loss. His opponent, Chessin Gertler, is a member of the US Junior National Squash Team, and ranked top ten in the country. De Svastich said of his playing today, "I didn't play as well as I had hoped. I fought hard, but lost to a top ranked player." De Svastich lost in 3 as well. Wagman, back from a Model UN conference, assumed his regular #3 spot. He played well in the first game, but lost composure afterwards, ending his match with a three game loss. Morse played sharply, dispensing reprisal for previous losses to his long-time Belmont Hill opponent, winning in 3 games. Manice shot sharply and retrieved surprisingly well in his match. His persistent opponent countered with tight rails



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Captain Dave Morse '04 prepares to smash the squash ball in his match with Brooks this week.

PA Boys Squash Slams Exeter; Lady Blue Drops a Heartbreaker

by Dave Morse & Eliot Fearey
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

BOYS SQUASH

The boy's squash team ended their regular season play with a bang. Waging battle against Exeter this past Wednesday, the squash team was more than happy to finish league play with two consecutive victorious matches.

Last Wednesday was the last regular season league match, and the event was especially intense as the match was played against rival Exeter. Andover had beaten Exeter two times previously in the season, and looked for a third win.

In the hot seat at number one, Beck had a tough match against Anthony Maruca '04. Beck lost in three matches, as Maruca's shots proved to be all too sharp.

At number two, de Svastich played well against his Big Red rival, winning in four games.

Number three seed, Wagman, played against young Mark Maruca '07. Though slight and lacking in size, Maruca is one of the quicker and scrappier players in the league, ever persisting and remarkably accurate in shooting.

The two sparred on court with high intensity, but Maruca continued to make errors. Wagman was unmerciful in his

shot selection and won in four games.

Morse once again paired up with old-time rival Harvey Lederman. Both players were familiar with one another's playing style, which made for an exciting, fast paced match. Morse's speed to the ball and patience with his shot selection left Lederman digging for shots. This provided Morse with ample opportunities to place the ball where he wanted, controlling the match. In the end, Morse outstripped his Exeter rival, winning in three hotly contested games.

In the lower half of the ladder, Henry Manice '05 came through with a lengthy five game win. His low, hard-hit shots gave him an advantage in the start of his match, but as time wore on and legs grew tired, it was Manice's ball placement that eventually won him the match.

Goldstein came through with a big upset to beat his Exeter opponent 3-2. After losing the first two games, Goldstein slowly made his ground. Goldstein outlasted his opponent and came back to win the final three games of the match.

Feldmann had a tough time with his opponent. In a hard-fought battle, he won 3-2. The final match score against Exeter was six matches to one, Andover once again beating

Exeter.

GIRLS SQUASH

In a repeat of their match with Exeter earlier this season Girl's Varsity squash lost their second chance match to the Big Red 3-4. The girls have improved greatly this season, but they just didn't play the game they needed to take the day. "Even though we lost, people are playing better," mentioned Captain Diana Grace '05 after the match.

Charlotte MacMillan '05 played "Nearly a perfect 5th game." Coach Hodgeson observed. In the beginning of her match, she was using her drop shot a bit too early, and her opponent had no trouble retuning the ball.

By the end of the first game, MacMillan kept the rallies going longer and waited for her offensive shot. She used both drops and boasts, which were very effective.

During the match, Grace said, "She played really well and figured out her opponent's game early." This was MacMillan's second win against Exeter for the season.

"I wish I could have played better," Captain Diana Grace '05 said after her match. She lost each game quickly 9-2, 9-2, and 9-1.

Even though Cara Ruccolo '05 has been sick the last few days, she still won her match in only four games. She had three serving errors in her first game, but still managed to win 9-5. As a result of her sickness she had some trouble returning a few of the drop shots, but did not let that hurt her game.

Skylar Washburn '05 won against Exeter for her second time this season. She lost the first match 6-9, and won in the three tight following matches 10-8, 10-8, and 10-9.

Jean Marie Gossard '05 lost 0-3. She played really hard, but her opponent was much more skilled. Gossard had some strong rails and moved around the court well, but would have done well to use her drop shot more.

Emily Watson '05 lost 0-3, but had a close third game. She was losing 0-8, but came back with an amazing serve.

Although the team had a season record of 1-13, they were not disappointed with the season. "We worked hard, had fun, and are looking forward to next year." Captain Diana Grace said.



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Dan Wagman '06 serves to his Exeter opponent last Wednesday. He won the match, contributing to a 6-1 PA win.

Boys Squash Takes Fourth at Interschols, Surpassing Last Year's Fifth Place Finish

by Dave Morse
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover's squash team returned from Interschols this weekend with a feather in each of the players' caps. Despite having graduated three of the top four players from last year, the squash squad managed to place one seed higher than last year in the final standings, earning 4th place in the league of 35 schools. The only teams with higher rankings than Andover were Brunswick, Belmont Hill, and Taft, in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, respectively.

Much of the team's success has been attributed to the determination and work ethic of the players. Over the season, the squad toiled and strained under the guidance of team captain Dave Morse '04. "Fitness is the key to dominating in squash. You can't hit winning shots if you can't get to the ball in time," said Morse.

At the number one position, Elliot Beck '05 had a maturing experience through the season. His jump from number three last year was a big change, but Beck had to take the spot, acting as a sort of sacrificial lamb. Beck bore the brunt of the attack that the best of the other teams threw at Andover. The players immediately below Beck in the ladder (of similar skill levels) enjoyed easier times against less cut-throat opponents.

Beck faced some of the best in the country at interschols. He lost his first match against St. George's Leroy Leong, and later to St. Paul's Sean Wilkinson, native of Zimbabwe. "Next year I'll know what to expect, I know what's coming. I plan to do much better next year," promised Beck.

At the number two position, Derek de Svastich '06 faired only slightly better than Beck. De Svastich lost in the first round to Omar Mangalji of Groton in four hotly contested games. He pulled out two big

wins against Brooks and St. Pauls on the second day of match play. On the third and final day, de Svastich lost to Bermuda resident Mike Shrubbs in the consolation quarterfinals. Shrubbs went on to win the consolation bracket later that day.

At number three, Dan Wagman '06 played well the entire weekend. He was seeded fourth in his bracket due to his excellent record from the regular season. Wagman blazed through his first match, beating his Tabor opponent in three quick games. Difficulties in his second match against fifth-seeded Jack Fennebresque of Choate tested Wagman's limits. Straining throughout, Wagman managed to finish the five-game marathon match on top.

In the semifinals, Wagman faced top ranked John Fulham of Belmont Hill. Fulham's skill was too much for Wagman. Fulham won in three games, 9-2, 9-2, 9-0. In Wagman's last match, he lost to end the tournament in fourth place in his bracket.

At number four, captain Morse played aggressively. He won his first match against St. Pauls in three short games. The next day, he was pitted, once again, against his Exeter rival, Harvey Lederman.

In an epic last encounter, the two duked it out ferociously. Morse's record against Lederman over the past two years had been 4-0 before the match. It was Lederman's last chance to redeem himself. Morse quickly gained a 2-0 game lead, but Lederman fought back, balancing the score at 2-2. Morse grew tired and had to rely on shot selection to dig him out of his hole. With a nail-biting finish, Morse won the fifth game 9-7, sending him to the semifinals.

In his semifinal match against Brunswick, Morse could not cope with his opponent's unusual playing style and hard hit shots. Captain Morse lost in three games, leaving him disap-

pointed. He went on to win his next match in three short games, placing him third overall in his bracket.

At number five, Harry Goldstein '05 did his fair share of damage. He lost an emotionally charged match against a strong Groton player in three drawn-out games. Goldstein won his next two matches easily, and then was once again met by his previous Groton rival in the consolation semifinals. Tired from his previous bouts, Goldstein toiled over five grueling games. Revenge was had, as Goldstein won his match 3-2. He went on to win the consolation bracket, placing him fifth overall in his bracket.

Number six player Henry Manice '05 also had a good weekend. He won his first match against his Rye Country Day opponent in three easy games.

On the second day of match play, Manice faltered slightly against a strong Hotchkiss player, but eventually out-shot his competitor and won in five games. Manice lost a three game

match to the top seeded Brunswick player in the quarterfinals. His Brunswick opponent went on to win the number six bracket.

Rounding out the bottom of the ladder was Kirk Lepke '04 at #7. Lepke stepped up his level of play during the weekend, showing his mental abilities concerning shot selection and game strategy.

Lepke went straight through his opening two matches, beating his Exeter and St. Pauls opponents. Lepke lost in three games to the top seeded Brunswick player, but managed to put up a good fight before he went down. Lepke beat J. Simpson of Milton Academy to earn third place in his bracket.

Next year the Andover squad should be unstoppable. With the majority of the team returning, depth and experience should prove to shoot the team to the top of the league.

"We all promised Morse that we would at least come in second in next year's interschols," said Goldstein, "We intend to keep that promise."



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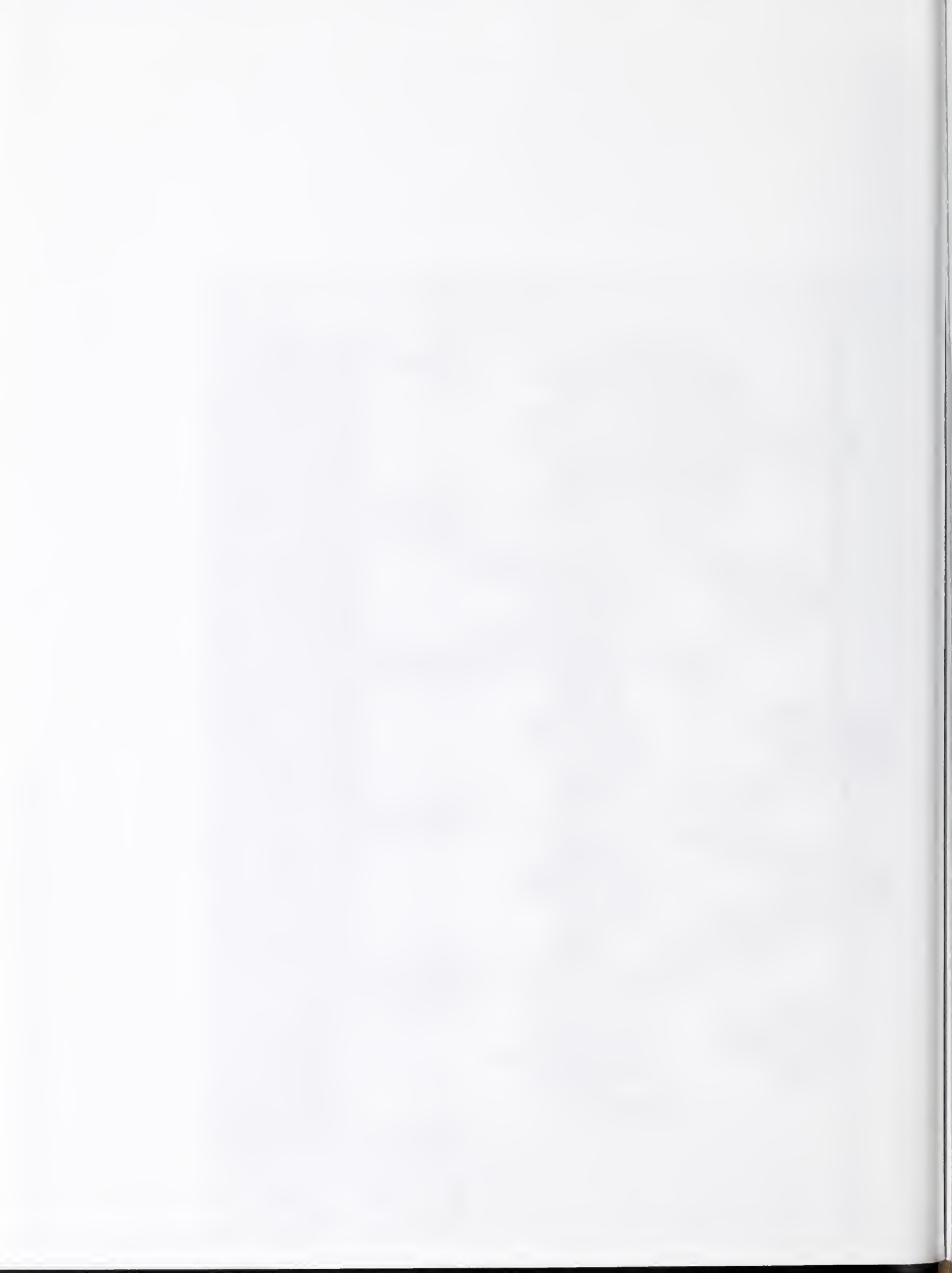
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NAME	YR	HOMETOWN
de Svastich, Derek	2006	Saddle River, NJ
Feldmann, Gregory	2005	Wellesley, MA
Goldstein, Henry	2005	Chicago, MA
Lepke, Kirk	2004	North Andover, MA
Morse, David	2004	San Ramon, CA
Beck, Elliot	2005	Acton, MA
Manice, Henry	2005	Dover, MA
Wagman, Daniel	2006	Beverly Hills, CA
Park, Jason	2005	Seoul, KOR

GIRLS

COACH: TOM HODGESON

NAME	YR	HOMETOWN
Gossard, JeanMarie	2005	Andover, MA
Grace, Diana	2005	Locust Valley, NY
MacMillan, Charlotte	2005	Andover, MA
Myers, Anne	2004	Brooklyn, NY
Washburn, Skylar	2005	Andover, MA
Watson, Emily	2004	Rocky Mount, NC
Ruccolo, Cara	2005	Lynnfield, MA
Harmeling, Rachel	2004	North Reading, MA
Jiramongkolchai, Pawina	2006	Woodland Hills, CA

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-6-03

OPPONENT: Tabor

WHERE PLAYED Tabor

RESULTS: _____

1/7/04 Girls Squash Trounces Tabor

(a make-up from December)

The girls varsity squash team travelled to Tabor on Wednesday for a match that was snowed out in December. PA took 10 players and won nine matches on the day. The official final score was 7-0 for Andover. First time varsity winners were Emily Watson, Anne Myers, and JeanMarie Gossard. The girls in Blue will host Choate on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

DATE OF CONTEST: 12-6-03

OPPONENT: Milton

WHERE PLAYED Away

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-13-04

OPPONENT: Deerfield

WHERE PLAYED Deerfield

RESULTS: _____

2/13/04 Green Stops Blue in Girls Squash

On Friday the PA girls varsity squash team travelled to Deerfield to take on a veteran squad for the Green. Though the team victory went to Deerfield 6-1, Andover did earn a win at # 2 where Charlotte MacMillan once again played an intelligent, gritty match.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-11-04

OPPONENT: St. Paul's

WHERE PLAYED St. Paul's

RESULTS: _____

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-7-04

OPPONENT: Milton

WHERE PLAYED Milton

RESULTS: _____

2/7/04 Girls Squash Drops 6-1 Decision to Milton

PA traveled to Milton and lost 6-1 in girls varsity squash to a very deep opponent. Andover's win came at #2 where Charlotte Macmillan played another excellent match. She controlled play with her mix of good length, court coverage, and timely drops. # 1 Diana Grace bravely battled to a dignified loss after getting pegged hard on the thigh with the ball at point blank range. She's okay, but she'll be wearing that "tattoo" for a few days.

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-4-04

OPPONENT: Noble & Greenough

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

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2/4/04 Squash Drops Close One to Nobles

The girls varsity squash team played a good match and lost 4-3 to a solid Noble and Greenough team. Charlotte Macmillan played a superb match to win 3-1 at the # 2 spot. Skylar Washburn (#4) and JeanMarie Gossard (#6) also won well-played contests. Cara Ruccolo (#3) fought valiantly to get into her match after being down 0-2, but she couldn't quite put herself over the top. The team's season record is now 2-7.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-31-04

OPPONENT: Brooks

WHERE PLAYED Brooks

RESULTS: _____

1/31/04 Squash Blanks Brooks

The varsity girls Squash team took on Brooks Saturday and came away with a 7-0 victory. At number 1, Diana Grace won 9-0, 9-2, 9-0. Charlotte MacMillan won her match at number 2, 9-6, 9-2, 9-1. PA's #3 Skylar Washburn won in a good match at 9-1, 9-1, 9-3. At number 4 Emily Watson won 9-1, 9-1, 9-5, and JeanMarie Gossard won 9-5, 9-3, 9-2. Pawina Jiramongkolchai played on the narrow courts, and played a really good match. After losing her first game 7-9, she rallied to win the next three 9-5, 9-5, 9-6. Jiramongkolchai made some good adjustments, such as staying further up on the court than the actual T, to secure her match. The whole team played well in earning the win.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-28-04

OPPONENT: Groton

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

1/28/04 Girls Squash Defeated by Groton

The girls varsity squash team lost to a deep Groton this afternoon 2-5. Skylar Washburn used hard, straight drives to pin her opponent in the back for a solid 3-1 win at #4. Emily Watson pulled out a thrilling, well-earned 3-2 victory at # 6, winning the fifth game in overtime, 10-8.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-24-04

OPPONENT: Exeter / Greenwich

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

1/24/04 Exeter Edges Girls Squash; Greenwich Too Strong For Blue

The varsity girls squash team came very close but couldn't squeak out a win against visiting Exeter on Saturday. The Red picked up the 4-3 victory. The Blue then took on perennial prep school champion, Greenwich Academy, and came away empty 7-0. PA's #2 Charlotte MacMillan, #3 Cara Ruccolo and #4 Skylar Washburn competed particularly well against Exeter with MacMillan turning in a very impressive 9-0, 9-0, 9-2 victory in the number 2 slot. All three players who won against Exeter established good length and attacked the front corners effectively. PA's #1 Diana Grace looked as though she might turn her match around when she won the third game, but she had some difficulty against her left-handed opponent. While the players toward the bottom of the PA varsity ladder are still paying for their inexperience, Coach Hodgson sees definite improvement throughout the squad.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-17-04

OPPONENT: Taft / Loomis

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

1/17/04 Girls Squash Drops Pair to Taft and Loomis

Andover took on two strong Connecticut teams at home Saturday in girls varsity squash. PA competed well, but both Taft and Loomis-Chaffee defeated the Blue 7-0. The PA team now has a clear picture of the challenge they face in getting ready for Interschols at the end of February.

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-10-04

OPPONENT: Choate

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

1/10/04 CRH Squeaks By Girls Squash

The girls varsity squash team hosted Choate on Saturday with the visiting Boars earning a 4-3 victory. PA's top three players played well and won. The match of the day was at #2 where Andover's Charlotte MacMillan prevailed 10-8 in the fifth game after going down 8-5.



DATE OF CONTEST: 2-18-04

OPPONENT: Groton

WHERE PLAYED Groton

RESULTS: _____

2/18/04 Girls Squash Drops 6-1 Decision to Groton

The PA girls varsity squash team lost to Groton Wednesday 6-1. Skylar Washburn came back after losing her first game to post an impressive 3-1 win at #4. Charlotte MacMillan and Emily Watson also played well for the Blue. The team tournament start on Thursday, and Friday PA hosts Middlesex at 4:00.



DATE OF CONTEST: 2-20-04

OPPONENT: Middlesex

WHERE PLAYED Phillips Academy

RESULTS: _____

2/20/04 Girls Varsity Squash

Friday we hosted Middlesex. Despite missing our #3, Cara Ruccolo, due to illness we played good squash and lost a very close match, 3-4. Diana, Charlotte, and Skylar won their matches at #1, 2, and 3. Everyone had moments of excellent play.



DATE OF CONTEST: 2-25-04

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED Exeter

RESULTS: _____

2/25/04 Girls Squash Edged By Exeter

The PA girls varsity squash team travelled to Exeter for a rematch Wednesday. The result was the same--a 4-3 win for the Red team. Charlotte Macmillan, Cara Ruccolo, and Skylar Washburn, playing at #s 2, 3, and 4 respectively, earned wins for the Blue. MacMillan came through with another gutsy 3-2 win, as she has several times this season. Ruccolo battled valiantly and attacked beautifully despite playing without feeling 100%. Meanwhile, Washburn continued her solid, athletic play. JeanMarie Gossard, Emily Watson, Anne Myers, and Diana Grace had their moments of good squash as well, but were unable to string together enough quality points to win.



DATE OF CONTEST: 02-028-04

OPPONENT: Interscholastics

WHERE PLAYED

RESULTS:

DATE OF CONTEST: 2-29-04

OPPONENT: Interscholastics

WHERE PLAYED _____

RESULTS: _____



PA Squash Loses Two Matches

by Eliot Feary

PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Car	8
Andover	0
Loomis	7
Andover	1

Some days, nothing goes well, and Saturday was one of those days. Playing both Taft and Loomis, the girls finished the day with two losses and numerous disappointments. After an 8-



0 shutout to Taft, the Andover Girls Squash team ended the day losing 7-1 to Loomis. Both Taft and Loomis are two schools known for boasting strong squash teams, and the Lady Blue Squash team was expecting tough competition.

Taft is something of a girls squash powerhouse. Last season, the Lady Rhinos came in second at interschols and finished with a dominant 11-2 season record, their only losses coming to Greenwich Academy. This year, Taft's number one player, Supriya Balsehar, who played against Andover Captain Diana Grace '05, is ranked number

three in India (one of the top squash countries in the world) and their number two player, Sydney Scott, who took on Andover's Charlotte MacMillan's '05, came in 3rd at the under-19 Junior Olympics.

Loomis has maintained a very strong team over the past decade, and Lady Blue previous loss to Taft made things all the more difficult.

Although Emily Watson '04 is only the sixth ranked player on the team, she was most competitive with her opponent. Staying close to her opponent throughout the match and only losing 9-8, 10-8, and 9-6, Watson scored more points than any other player. As Watson herself noted, "Volleys were essential in all of my games because both of my opponents hit hard fast shots that required quick reflexes. Unfortunately Watson did not fare so well at Loomis, losing 9-2, 9-4, and 9-5.

Skylar Washburn '05 was the only player to score a win this weekend. In a 3-0 win against Loomis, Washburn quickly observed her opponent lacked the speed necessary for squash, and by moving the ball around the court, Washburn exhausted her opponent and was able to force a number of

errors. Watson said of Washburn's play: "Skylar's win against Loomis definitely cheered us up."

Andover team captain Grace lost both of her matches 3-0. Grace said of her performance: "They both had really strong teams, and I think we were a little bit intimidated by Taft. Even though we lost pretty badly, we tried and did our best, but there is a lot we still need to work on." Walking onto the court against the number player in India, Grace was naturally a little nervous, but surprisingly was still able to win an occasional point. As Captain, Grace hopes that the team can use Saturday's matches to improve their own game.

MacMillan lost both her matches 3-0, "She kept up with her opponent really well and kept her on the run," observed D. Grace '05 "she also did well hitting rails and keeping long rallies.

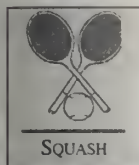
After losing her first two games to Taft 9-1 and 9-0, Jean Marie Gossard '05 impressively gained a 8-10 score in her last game. "She was strong-willed and was determined to keep her player running so she tried to take advantage of loose mid court shots and drop them in the front corner," observed fellow team member Watson.

Both Andover Squash Squads Prep for Season

by Dave Morse and Eliot Fearey
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Boys Squash

After their two scrimmages



against Harvard JV and Belmont Hill, Andover's Squash squad knows they need to step it up this season. The team

could blame their tough 0-2 record in the preseason on the graduation of three top players. Instead, the Squash team is rededicating themselves. Captain Dave Morse '04 went to planning a rigorous training regimen for the team, who has their sights set on a season finale at Interschols. Dan Wagman '06 said about the upcoming season, "I'm feeling pretty confident about the season. We lost some key players, but I think we can still pull off some strong wins. We are going to be big contenders."

The team this year is dynamic; the top rungs of team ladder should change and slide with frequency. The top four players will all be viable contestants for the hot seat at the #1 seed. Currently, Elliot Beck '05 fills this spot. He will undoubtedly stay near the very top of the ladder for the season. Close at his heels is Derrick DeSvastich '06, a new and welcomed face to the squad this season. Already possessing ample racquet skill, DeSvastich will focus this season on building his physical strength and endurance to secure wins in future competition.

Rounding out the top four spots are Wagman and Morse. Wagman lettered as a junior at the #5 seed. He, too, will focus largely on building strength and conditioning as the season goes on. Captain Morse will look to sharpen his game tactics and shooting precision.

Filling out the bottom part of the ladder are a few familiar faces as well as some newcomers. Harry Goldstein '05, playing #5, has recently recovered from a double fracture of the collarbone. He looks to bounce back after a relatively sedentary stint in the fall

term. New to the team this year are Kirk Lepke '04 and Greg Feldmann '05. Matches will be won or lost depending on the outcomes of the lower-ladder competition, so these players will contribute a lot to the score. Feldmann, relatively new to the sport, will finish off the ladder at #7. His athleticism and natural talent should take him far

Andover struggled through its two pre-season matches. No more than a handful of games were won, and the losses were quite sobering. All other prep-school teams this year will boast teams stronger than years past. Andover looks to be on a different cycle that will prove to make this year's season more difficult for the players than usual.

In collaboration with the returning players and coach Tom Cone, Captain Morse has come up with a strict conditioning regimen to boost the stamina of the players. In addition to on court practice, varsity practices will include weight and interval training, as well as an emphasis on strong base conditioning. Morse boasted of the team's plans to take their practice intensity a few steps higher, saying, "There are going to be some very close matches. It will all come down to 'who can outlast the other' in many situations. It is then that I hope our extra training will pay off."

The first of the season's matches will be held at home in the Andover squash gallery. A four-way match up between Taft, Exeter, Choate, and Andover should be host to some quality squash. DeSvastich assures that, "Our new squash courts are excellent for viewing games. I was impressed by the facility when I first saw it. I look forward to winning in front of a home crowd."

Girls Squash

"You can't ask for more than the wins in the top eight spots for the season opener," said Captain Diana Grace '05. In the past, Andover has run a strong squash program and had a competitive team, but last year the team had a 3-9 record and came in 13th out of

16 at Interschols. This year should be better. There are four returning uppers, all of whom were at the top of the ladder last season. The team is young, but still boasts some powerful squash players.

Last year was a bit of a rebuilding year for the team and all of the four returning players have improved tremendously. According to Skylar Washburn '05, "A lot of players worked very hard over the summer and it's showing in their game now, which is really exciting. Hopefully all of that hard work will carry over to a couple more wins than last season."

Captain Grace heads up the roster after switching between number one and number two last year. Charlotte MacMillan '05, currently the second ranked player on the team, hopes to improve her game this season by working to get her shots to the back of the court.

Emily Watson '04, a new member of the Varsity team, agreed with her teammate about the promising outlook of the season, "The younger, newer players have good role models to watch. The returners are good, honest players." Annie Myers '04 is the sixth ranked player. Pawina Jiramongkolchai '06, rounds out the roster as the eighth ranked

player. Rachel Harmeling '04 is the ninth member of the team and will participate in matches later on in the season.

The girls hope to improve this season under Coach Hodgson's training. His main goal for the team is to "dedicate yourself to playing with intelligence and determination to make the most of their potential." With that in their mind, the girls look forward to a successful season. As Coach Hodgson said, "[The girls] deserve to win by cooperating, win with grace, work hard, lose with dignity, and have fun."

In their season opener, the girls came home with a solid win against Tabor. All players, one through eight, won their matches.

Captain Grace, who won her three matches 9-2, 9-3, 9-3, was happy with the win, saying of her team, "It was a great way to start out the season. Winning eight matches is hard to do, so this really starts out the season on an optimistic tone. We all hope to do well at Interschols at the end of the term, and I think we really have a good chance."

Grace continued, "We've started out the season with high expectations, but we need to keep improving in order to show off our talents at Interschols."

Blue Squash Bashes Brooks

by Eliot Fearey
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Brooks	0

Finally, after a six game losing streak, Girls Varsity Squash won its second game against Brooks 7-0. Each player pinpointed her opponent's weakness and played an aggressive game. As Jean Marie Gossard '05 said after the game, "The team just rocked in general." Unfortunately, the girls lost to Nobles 3-4 on Wednesday.

Captain Diana Grace '05 won against Brooks 3-0 hitting several lobs to the back corners, which her opponent rarely returned. Unfortunately, she lost to Nobles 3-0

Cara Ruccolo '05 defeated her Brooks opponent 9-3, 9-1, and 9-3. She had a particularly strong offensive boast, which she has been working on recently. Ruccolo took advantage of her opponent's weak shots and returned drop shots offensively.

Ruccolo played a terrific game against Nobles. Despite her conscious effort to move her opponent around the court, she lost in the fifth game. At the end, both players were exhausted, and Ruccolo lost to the drop shots her opponent hit.

Pawina Jiramongkolchai '06 won her game against Brooks' seventh ranked player 3-1. "Pawina had some really awesome long drives that died in the back corners, and this crazy boast shot that always stumped her opponent," teammate

Gossard '05 said. She lost her second game of the match because of her serve and because she neglected to hit drop shots when her opponent was in the back corner.

Gossard '05 had her first win of the season beating Brooks 3-0. Her first game was a close 9-5, but she became more confident in the second and third winning 9-3 and 9-2. During her second game, she hit a beautiful volley boast. Gossard also scored several points because of her opponent's inability to return hard cross court shots.

Skylar Washburn '05 won both her game against Brooks on Saturday and then against Nobles on Wednesday. She had little trouble with Brooks quickly winning 9-1, 9-1, and 9-3.

Wednesday's match against Brooks did not come as easily to Washburn '05. She lost her first game 10-8, but won the next three 9-7, 9-6, 9-7. Washburn was extremely focused during her last three games and was able to dig even the most difficult shots out of the back corner.

Charlotte MacMillan '05 played her best game of the season Wednesday against Nobles with a 3-1 win. "I have been playing her [the Nobles opponent] for the past couple years at camp and she has always been in the higher groups and she always beat me 3-0 without a problem. My opponent's weakness was the fact that she underestimated me."



Andover Girls Squash Falls to Milton Tigers, St. Paul's School Pelicans in Tough Matches

by Eliot Fearey
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Milton	6
Andover	1
St. Paul's	7
Andover	0

The Andover Girls Squash Team suffered two disappointing losses this week. Last Saturday, the Lady Blue lost 6-1 to Milton. Playing against Milton, who came to the match with a strong team and an undefeated season behind them, expected a hard match. Wednesday's game against St. Paul's was not any better; the girls lost 7-0, but the game was not a complete shutout. Charlotte MacMillan '05 and Emily Watson '05 each had a close game.

Playing in the first seed, captain Diana Grace had an unlucky match. She played really well in the first game and won, but in the second she was hit in the leg with the ball. She had to leave the court for sever-

al minutes to go and ice. For the remainder of the game it was obvious that she was struggling with pain, and despite a strong effort, she was unable to come through with a win.

Against St. Paul's, Graec was matched against a very talented player and lost 3-0. During her first game, she let the Saint Paul's player control the 'T', which allowed her opponent to hit a number of difficult drop shots. In the second and third games, she tied to turn things around, but the games did not go her way. She hit the ball to the back corners, which worked well and was able to keep some strong rallies.

Number two player Charlotte MacMillan '05 was the only player to score a win

for the team against Milton. "She played really well and her opponent just got frustrated when she kept hitting the balls deep," MacMillan had a strong serve and hit some great drop shots. She said of her game, "I really just tried to move the ball around the court and make her tired, which I think worked really well. I had played her before, and I think that she was kind of surprised that I beat her."

MacMillan had a frustrating match against St. Paul's on Wednesday. She won her second game 7-9 and the three others were close. MacMillan hit the ball really well and as Coach Hodgson said after the game, "Charlotte kept her girl from the middle of the court, which was great." During the second game,

she hit the balls low and kept her opponent fighting to keep her lead.

Pawina Jiramongkolehai who did not play against Milton, struggled against her talented St. Paul's opponent. She lost her game to St. Paul's 3-0. As Coach Hodgson pointed out during the match, she had trouble getting back to the "T" which forced her to loose several points.

Emily Watson '05 played a close game against St. Paul's and won one out of four of her games 10-9 in a tie-breaker. Coach Hodgson was particularly pleased that she made so many good decisions on shot placement in the match. Watson scored several points off her serve, which her opponent had trouble returning.



Andover Girls Squash Drops Two, Bowing to Deerfield Green, Groton

by Eliot Fearey
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Deerfield	6
Andover	1
Groton	6
Andover	1

The Andover Girls Varsity Squash had two unsuccessful matches this week.

The girls lost first against Deerfield 6-1 on Friday before bowing to Groton on Wednesday by the same score.

Deerfield and Groton have always proved a challenge, but the team would have hoped for closer matches this week.

Charlotte MacMillan '05 won her game against Deerfield 3-0.

Despite the accurate shot placement of Deerfield's number two seed, she did not have the endurance to stay with MacMillan.

MacMillan alternated between deep rails and short drop shots from the start of her match, tiring her opponent out quickly.

Midway through the second game, it was clear that MacMillan's opponent was on the ropes, and MacMillan became relentless, hitting drop shots that her player could not reach.

Captain Diana Grace '05 lost 3-0 in quick match, struggling with the offensive aspect of her game.

The captain commented afterwards, "Even though they are a really good team, I wasn't that nervous going in." Despite Grace's confidence, the Lady Blue had a tough go of it in the match.

Throughout the match she consistently hit well down the line and kept rallies going, but her opponent often took the offensive shot before Grace had a chance.

In general Grace played a

good game.

Teammate MacMillan said of her captain's performance, "I thought that she played well, and she definitely could have beaten her opponent."

Although Emily Watson '05 fell 3-0, she still played well. In the first game of her match, she did a good job getting some long drives to the back and hit some terrific attacking shots upfront.

In the second and third game, she began to have trouble getting her serve over to the far wall.

"It was too bad that the game wasn't closer as we were practically the same level," Watson said after the game.

Even though each game was close, Skylar Washburn '05 also lost 3-0. It did not take long for her to notice that her player had trouble moving around the court.

Washburn tired her opponent by hitting some great drop shots.

Washburn was not satisfied with the game she played, saying, "I made some mistakes that really cost me."

As always, Washburn did a great job getting back to the "T," especially in the third game, and she put away some terrific shots.

Jean-Marie Gossard '05 had an especially close contest, but also dropped her match 3-0.

Gossard took her third game to a tiebreaker that went all the way up to 10-8.

During the game Watson observed, "Jean-Marie is awesome at running around the court, and runs for every ball."

After the tough loss to Deerfield, Andover faced off with the Girls of Groton Squash.

Nearly a month ago, the Lady Blue Squash squad faced off with these same Groton girls. Andover dropped that meet 5-2.

Unfortunately, their record was not as good this time, falling 6-1. Only Washburn won her match.

Washburn won her game 3-0. She was great at getting back to the "T" and was always set up for her opponent's shot.

In addition, Washburn had some strong rallies and was always able to hit an offensive drop shot.

Grace did not play up to her expectations. Even though she had already played her opponent earlier in the season, she had trouble getting into her game and did not hit the ball to the back wall very successfully.

Grace said of her match, "I think I could have beaten my opponent. I had played her before and I knew how she played. Things didn't work out for me on Wednesday, maybe I'll see her again at Interschols."

MacMillan lost 3-2 in a close and hard fought game.

She played really well until the last game. At the end, she just had trouble getting back to the "T," said Grace.

Once again MacMillan was able to make her opponent tired by using a variety of shots as she did on Friday against Deerfield.

Next Wednesday, the Girls Squash will be playing against Exeter in their final match of the season.

Squash Interschols will be held the next weekend, both Saturday and Sunday.

The girls are excited to show off their skills next weekend but are worried about who they might face.

Captain Diana Grace explained of the important day, "Interschols is our biggest weekend of the Squash Season. There are going to be some really talented players, and everyone is going to have to play their best."

Grace continued, saying, "We have been working hard all season, and I know that it will pay off when we face all the schools in our league next weekend."

Andover Girls Squash Outplayed at Interschols

by Eliot Fearey
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Despite placing 14th out of 16 teams, "The Andover girls played their best squash of the season at Interschols last weekend," Coach Hodgson was pleased to say of the Girls Squash team. It was evident that the team has made tremendous improvements particularly in shot selection and in the offensive aspects of the game, when they traveled to Groton on Saturday and Sunday to play in the match.

Diana Grace '05 won only against Middlesex last weekend. She did a good job mixing up her shot selections and her drop shot was particularly effective. Grace's Middlesex opponent frequently became frustrated when she missed the drop shots.

Charlotte MacMillan '05 came in 11th in the consolation round. She won her first match against Choate by moving her player around the court and was able to tire her out quickly. Although her match against St. George's was close, MacMillan lost in the fourth game. The two girls were evenly matched, but the St. Georges player hit several shots to the back left corner, which were difficult to return. MacMillan also lost her game against Hotchkiss, on which she commented, "I could have focused more during the game. I worked more on hitting the ball hard, which she was always able to return."

Skylar Washburn '05 won her match against St. George's 3-2 and then 3-0 against Nobles. Washburn played one of her most exciting games of the season against St. George's, which lasted until the fifth game. "I wore her out mentally, by the end she just wasn't able to keep up," Washburn said. She also played a strong offensive game against Nobles. Her serve was unbeatable and she did a great job varying shot selection. Emily Watson '04 observed, "She really focused on the game." Unfortunately, Washburn lost to Milton 0-3 and to Choate 1-3. She lost to Milton primarily because she did not return the serves well and allowed her opponent to hit attacking shots early in the game.

Cara Ruccolo '05 was very successful at Interschols. She placed 11th out of all the number three seeds, which was a great improvement from her 6-8 season record. Ruccolo beat both Exeter and Choate in consolation

rounds. In her game against Exeter, she was able to attack well and hit several drop shots. By the time she played Choate on Sunday afternoon, "I was really tired, which didn't help, but I pulled through." She managed to keep several of the points short with her serve and hit a variety of shots. Ruccolo lost to Groton and Deerfield, who she lost to earlier in the season. "All in all, I think we had a pretty successful season. Although we didn't have a great record, I think we improved a lot and will be an awesome team next year," said Ruccolo.

Emily Watson '04 was a little nervous going into her games and finished the day even at two wins and two losses. In her game against Sacred Heart, Watson used her drop shot several times, "I didn't practice it enough until the end of the season, but it really worked in the game."

Girls Squash is looking forward to a very successful season next year. "We were a young team. Next year we will all be a bit more experienced and hopefully we can win all those matches we lost by one game," Washburn said.

Grace will be captain for the second time. Said Pawina Jiramongkolchai '06, "Diana did a great job this year. She is a really good player and role model for the rest of the team."

SPORT: Boys Swimming
YEAR: 2003-2004

CAPTAIN: Arnon Strable
HOME TOWN: Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

MANAGER(S): Anita Wu
Kat Chen

HOME TOWN(S) _____

COACH: Jacques Hugon

ASSISTANT COACH(S): _____

SEASON RECORD

WIN__ LOST__ TIED__







PHILLIPS ACADEMY BOYS SWIMMING 2004

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yr</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Thatcher Clay	04	Ellicott City, MD
Robert Gucwa	04	Glenwood Springs, CO
Paul Randt	04	Beijing, China
Aaron Stroble	04	Dhahran, Saudi Arabia
Ben Sweeney	04	Chester, CT
Tom Yeung	04	Bangkok, Thailand
Peter Accomando	05	Andover, MA
Kevin Daly	05	Breckenridge, CO
Chris Donahue	05	Winchester, MA
James Remeika	05	Jamaica Plain, MA
Andy StLouis	05	Palm Desert, CA
Charlie Thornton	05	New Bedford, MA
Yusuke Uchiyama	05	Cincinnati, OH
Robert Anderson	06	Orinda, CA
Jeff Cutts	06	Andover, MA
Dawson Gage	06	Wilmington, NC
David Giller	06	Swampscott, MA
Andrew Glasrud	06	Waterloo, IA
Victor Kim	06	Seoul, Korea
Jamie Neuwirth	06	Ross, CA
Brian Shen	06	Princeton, NJ
Daniel Whalen	06	San Juan Capistrano, CA
Alex Wolf	06	Corvallis, OR
Jeff Zhou	06	Getzville, NY
Andrew Faulkner	07	Homer, AK
Ryan Ferguson	07	Andover, MA
Nathaniel Flagg	07	Cornwall, CT
Dennis Jow	07	Branchburg, NJ
Ed Kang	07	La Mirada, CA
Brendon Sullivan	07	Salem, MA

COACH: JACQUES HUGON
MANAGERS: ANITA WU
KAT CHEN



DATE OF CONTEST: 1-10-04

OPPONENT: Choate

WHERE PLAYED home

RESULTS: _____

1/10/04 Choate Edges PA in Boys Swimming [TIMES]

In a spirited contest that featured several close finishes, Choate defeated Andover 100 – 85 in each team's first dual meet of the season. Coming off a strong 2nd place at Interschols last season, Choate is one of the early season favorites for supremacy in the New England Prep School swimming league. Despite losing seven seniors to graduation, Andover fought a hard, albeit uphill, battle against a very strong team.

The boys in blue started off on a strong note, winning the 200 Medley Relay in 1:43.96, more than two seconds ahead of Choate, with Jeff Zhou '06 in Backstroke, newcomer Robert Gucwa '04 in Breaststroke, captain Paull Randt '04 in Butterfly and Tom Yeung '04 anchoring in Freestyle.

After Choate won the 200 Free convincingly with their team leader Guernsey swimming a very good 1:48.46, Andover struck back by winning the 200 Individual Medley with Gucwa coming back from two lengths behind after the Backstroke leg to win the race in 2:03.12. The 50 Freestyle was very close, but Pentz from Choate edged out Zhou for the win by four hundredths of a second.

The diving event featured a remarkable one-two finish for Andover, with Corey Psoinos '07 winning with an outstanding 242.9 points, only twenty points shy of the Andover school record! David Wilkinson '05 finished second with an equally excellent 196.55, and at the break Andover was poised for the upset with a three point lead (40 to 37).

When swimming resumed, Choate roared back and asserted its domination of the meet. First, the visiting Wild Boars swept the Butterfly event with top three finishes, then they took the first two spots in the 100 Freestyle, with Randt missing the second spot by only seven hundredths of a second. In the 500 Freestyle event, Interschols champion Guernsey cruised to victory in 4:50.95, while Aaron Stroble '04 and Ryan Ferguson '07 took the next two spots. After Choate won the 200 Freestyle relay, the outcome was assured, despite two excellent victories by Andover in the last two individual events, with Gucwa taking the 100 Breaststroke in 1:08.57 and Zhou the 100 Backstroke in 55.82. Finally, Choate closed out the meet with an easy win in the 400 Freestyle relay event.

After the meet, Coach Hugon sounded upbeat despite the loss: "Given the fact that Choate is one of the best teams in the league and considering the relative youth of our squad, I am very pleased with the way everyone swam. Our swimmers stayed focused, produced excellent efforts, and if a couple of close finishes had gone our way, we would have had a shot at a tremendous upset. I am encouraged by the way our team behaved today, and I look forward to the next dual meets."

DATE OF CONTEST: 1-17-04

OPPONENT: Loomis

WHERE PLAYED home

1/17/04 Boys Swimming Edges Loomis On Final Relay [TIMES]

Andover 94 - Loomis 90

The Boys Swimming team notched their first dual meet victory of the season with a dramatic come-from-behind win over Loomis-Chaffee last Saturday, 94 to 90.

After placing 6th last year at Interschols, Loomis came in as a much improved team this season, featuring no less than seven new Varsity swimmers and having registered a second place league finish in water-polo, only losing to perennial powerhouse Exeter in the finals in the fall.

Andover, as is often the case, got off to a very fast start, surprising Loomis with a 1-2 finish in the 200 Medley Relay. The winning relay featured Jeff Zhou '06, Robert Gucwa '04, captain Paull Randt '04 and Tom Yeung '04 in a good time of 1:44.48; they were followed by Rob Anderson '06, Charlie Thornton '05, Yusuke Uchiyama '05 and Jamie Neuwirth '06, and Andover led 12-2 after the first event.

But Loomis came right back, with their lead swimmer Brisson edging out Aaron Stroble '04 in the 200 Free, as well as taking 3rd and 4th places in the race, ahead of Ryan Ferguson '07. Gucwa continued his early season domination of the 200 IM with a convincing win in 2:04.25, while newcomer Dennis Jow '07 grabbed 4th place points with a very good 2:18.46. Loomis retaliated in the 50 Free, capturing the event ahead of Zhou, Randt and Anderson, and at the diving break, Andover led narrowly 34 - 28.

The diving event marked a turning point in the meet, with Loomis unexpectedly taking the win from Corey Psinos '07, and Dave Wilkinson '05 finishing 4th. And when the swimming resumed, Loomis emphatically took the lead 50 - 42 with a 1-2-3 finish in the 100 Butterfly.

Things were looking bleak for the boys in blue, and after Eucalitto pushed off a very strong Andover sprinting trio of Randt, Neuwirth and Yeung in the 100 Free, the gap stood at 57 - 51. The 500 provided no relief for Andover, with Brisson once again winning his event ahead of Stroble, and after the long-distance event, Loomis had increased its lead to 10 points, 67 - 57.

But then Andover started climbing back. First the 200 Free Relay of Zhou, Yeung, Neuwirth and Randt narrowly grabbed the event with a 1:33.52, decreasing the gap to 65 - 73 despite Loomis taking 2nd and 3rd place.

In the backstroke event, always a signature race for Andover, Zhou and Anderson scored a tremendous 1-2, with Andrew Faulkner '07 grabbing precious 5th place points to leave the team only two points behind its rival, 76 to 78. In the Breaststroke, Gucwa took first place in a personal best of 1:01.86, and Thornton fourth place, setting the stage for a showdown in the last relay with Loomis leading 86 - 84, and Andover needing to win the event to tie, and place 1st and 3rd to win the meet.

In front of a screaming crowd, and with its two best sprinters done for the day, Andover's first relay team of Neuwirth, Stroble, Yeung and Gucwa scored an incredible win in 3:28.07, leaving Loomis to take second place in 3:29.30, while the team of Jow, Ferguson, Faulkner and Anderson took the needed third place in 3:39.85, ahead of Loomis in 3:40.93. When the noise died down, Andover had edged Loomis by the slimmest of margins, 94 - 90.

Coach Hugon was very pleased after the meet: "We knew Loomis would be strong coming in, but frankly we did not know they would be this strong. We had a few setbacks during the contest, but the whole team remained focused and determined to swim as hard as they could, and it paid off. I

am particularly pleased with the last relay, where no less than ten of our twelve swimmers recorded personal bests. This is a very satisfying win for this young team, and the boys should be proud of the way they handled themselves today."

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